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What a great time this is to try new crafts — the quiet time after the hectic holidays! We hope you'll find enough ideas in this issue to get you started and keep on going right into spring.

Trying a new craft is challenging and a lot of fun. When I experimented with woodburning, my first lines were very squiggly and irregular, but pretty soon I realized that firm and consistent pressure resulted in a dark, even line. Then, it was nothing to go to curves, circles and other shapes. Working with the woodburning pen became as natural as drawing with a pencil.

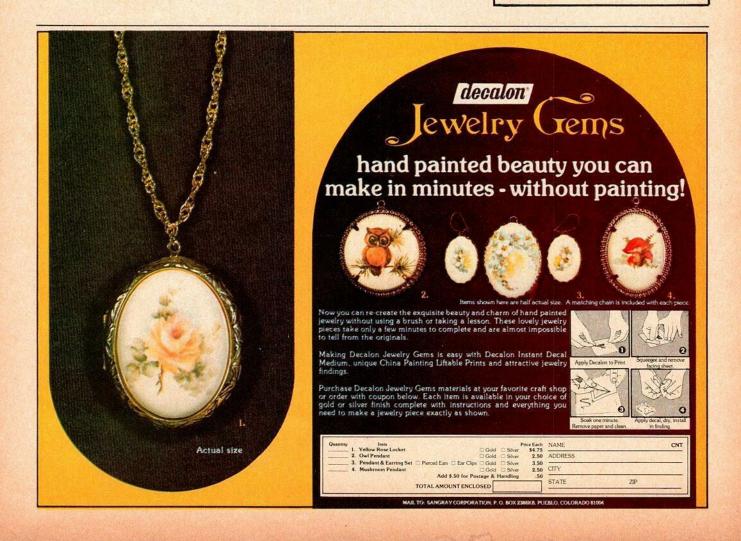
And spinning is just fascinating — to see raw wool so easily transformed into workable strands of yarn. As I watched Jean Corbett demonstrate how to do this, I had a feeling of being transported back in time. Then, to see the beautiful knitted blanket and woven wall hangings she made, using her very own homespun yarn, was so impressive. Why don't you try your hand at spinning to give an even more personal touch to your fiber crafts?

In the next issue (March/April), we'll take you with us on a trip to Houston, Texas for the 41st Annual Hobby Industry (HIA) Trade Show. The show will be held at the end of this month (January). With over 450 exhibitors and 12,000 visitors, it's sort of a "swap 'n share" for the entire craft industry. Since the show isn't open to the public, let us know what you want us to look for. In the meantime...

Happy New Craft Year!

Look What's Coming in the Mar.-Apr. Issue

- Quilling simply curl strips of paper to make delightful miniscenes, purses and shadow boxes
- Woodcarving expand your craft horizons by learning the basic techniques for working with a craft knife
- Paper Marquetry simulate the appearance of inlaid wood with paper to make a chess table, wastebasket and more
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Thank You...

God bless each and every one who answered my request for the book, "Don't Throw It Away." I tried to answer each one personally. But, Mrs. I. G. Muirhead, you gave no return address. Thank you, all.

Mrs. H. R. White 45 South Adolph Avenue Akron, OH 44304

I wish to thank you for the response I had on an item in your column. I asked for two old patterns. Received 5 letters with 2 of the exact patterns I'd lost. The next day I received my October issue (in which the request was

printed) and another letter. Am still receiving letters and patterns! I wish to thank all the kind women who answered and sent patterns.

Helen Brenner 43026 Valley Center Road Newberry Springs, CA 92365

Crafts 'n Things is truly a highlight in my busy life!

Mildred Haynie 1111 Ennis St. Wellington, TX 79095

Thanks so much for publishing my letter requesting information on how

to do "Ice Storm" arrangements (June/July). I have received 55 letters from 25 states! Amazing. In Alameda, California, I found only two stores that sold rock alum and the cost was 89¢ and \$1.20 per 4-oz. bottle — a little expensive for the 40 Christmas centerpieces I had to make for our Children's Hospital luncheon! Many thanks to all who wrote me.

Fran Darrah 3543 Magnolia Drive Alameda, CA 94501

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special thanks to the lady in Davenport, Iowa, whose letter came just the day before we left for Iowa City to visit our daughter. We had a chance to visit the craft shop she recommended and brought home several sizes.

Thanks, also, to the religious group out in Omaha, Nebraska, whose box of sample mirrors was waiting for me on my return home.

A big thank you to Crafts 'n Things. It is a great magazine!

Mrs. John Thrower R.D. 2 Putney, VT 05346

Thanks to all who sent the pansy patterns I wanted (June/July). I hope I wrote a thank you note to all, but I was hospitalized most of the summer and may have missed some. You have a great magazine and I thank you for all your help.

> Mrs. E. O. Gantt Rt. 3, Box 28 Pattonsburg, MO 64670

I have had so many responses to my letter asking for directions for a Christmas star ornament (Aug./Sept.). Thanks a million to all.

B. Lehman 2930 N. 37th St. Milwaukee, WI 53210

I do enjoy Crafts 'n Things very much. I've made many things from your magazine and at our bazaars they seem to go first, as they are different and so easy to make. Many of the things are from something you have around the house or something you would have tossed out, and I've renewed a lot of useless articles that turned out beautiful with just a little effort on my part and a lot of knowhow from Crafts 'n Things. Thank you so much.

J. Barker Route 1, Box 2 Butternut, WI 54514

In Answer...

To Mrs. Alice Fent (Oct.) - she can find the pictures of the frame and directions for the rug in the June 1976 issue of Workbasket magazine.

Mrs. Charles Stalnaker P.O. Box 351 Roscommon, MI 48653

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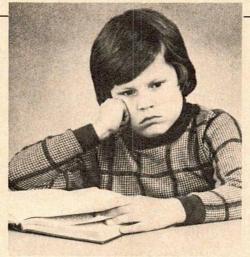
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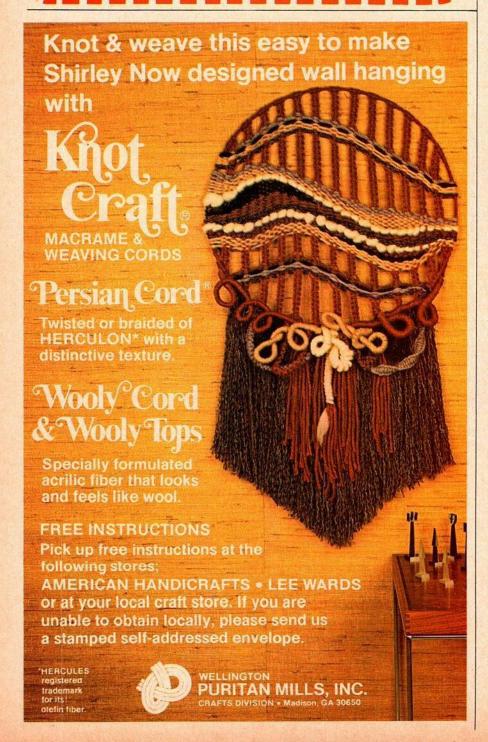
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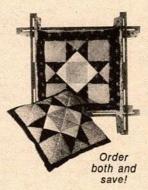
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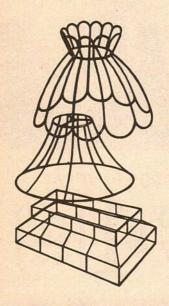
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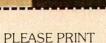
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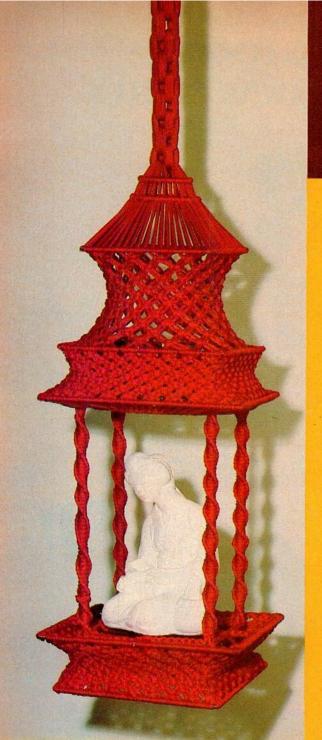
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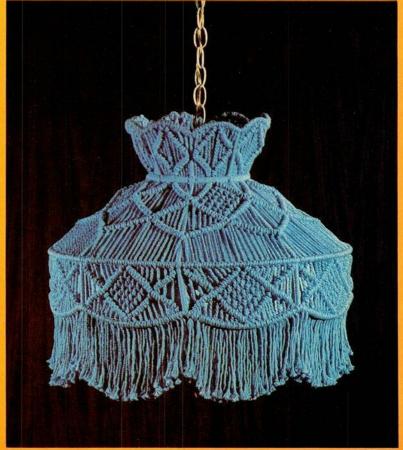
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Shades

New in macrame — designer lamp shades that will add special dimension to any decor.

Broaden your macrame horizons to include the lighting in your home. These lamp shades will help establish macrame as a craft that continues to grow in popularity. For more ideas and supplies, see the paragraph at lower left. All knots used in this article are shown on page 22.

Lotus Blossom not only provides a lamp shade, but also a stand for an appropriate figurine. Tiffany is just what its name implies.



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Simplicity

Materials. 150 feet of wide flat cord, 3/8" wide (or 300 feet of cord strung two widths together or 450 feet of cord strung three widths together); one ginger jar lamp frame; bobbin.

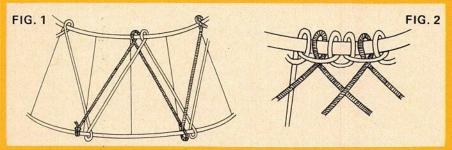
Shade. Cut 100 feet of wide flat cord and wrap around a bobbin for ease of handling.

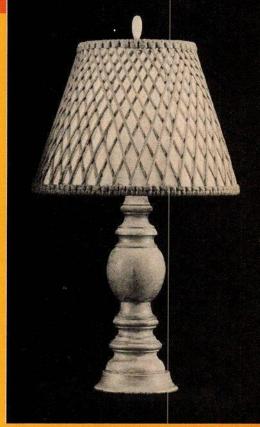
Beginning at the bottom of the frame, LHK the cord to the ring at the rib (Fig. 1). Then, stretch the cord around the frame as shown, five crossovers to a section.

To finish, cut 17 feet of cord and run LHKs around the entire top ring of the frame (Fig. 2). To finish the bottom ring, cut 33 feet of cord, and finish in the same way.

Note: If using two or three widths of cord, increase the length accordingly.

Lining. Make a pattern, cut the styrene and cloth, and laminate according to "How to Line a Shade" below. When making this pattern, take the measurements from the edge of the knots on the top and bottom of the shade. Run the lining between the cord design and the ribs. Dab glue on the inside edges of the shade and press the lining in place; glue the sides together, overlapping the edges.





Simplicity will provide a light touch of macrame to any corner.

How to Line a Shade

Materials. A large sheet of paper, such as newspaper, for the pattern; yard-stick; pencil; string or yarn; scissors; styrene, 2/3 yd. of 48" width; cloth, 2/3 yd. of 48" width, to bond to styrene; spray adhesive; heavy-bodied craft glue; bias tape; bulletin board or plywood for a working surface.

Pattern (see diagram at right). Place the paper on your working surface. Draw a horizontal line (A) across the pattern paper, 6" up from the bottom edge of the paper.

Next, measure the height of the lamp shade. Draw a line (B) parallel to line A, as shown, making the distance between lines A and B the same as the height of the shade.

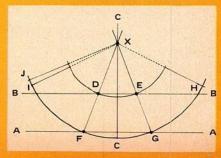
Fold the paper in half so that the fold line (C) is at a perfect 90 degree angle to lines A and B.

Measure the diameter of the top ring of the frame and mark two dots (D and E) this distance apart on line B with the center where lines B and C cross:

Mark the diameter of the bottom ring of the frame with two dots (F and G) on line A in the same manner as you marked the diameter of the top ring.

With the yardstick, draw a line from F to D, extending it until it crosses center line C. Draw a line from G to E in the same way. The two lines should cross line C at exactly the same point (X).

Create a compass by tieing a length of string around a pencil. Place the point of the pencil on F. Extend the length of string over X, holding it in place at X with a thumbtack. Now very carefully draw an arc. This line should intercept G. Repeat process, drawing another arc with pencil point starting at D. This line should intercept E.

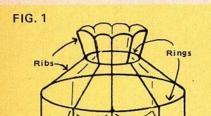


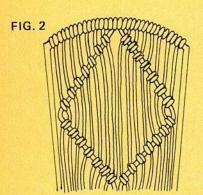
Mark a point (H), to the right of C, on the lower arc to the left and above where it crosses line B. Draw a line from H to X.

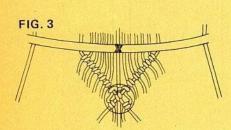
Determine the exact circumference of the bottom ring of the shade. Mark a point (I), to the left of C on the lower arc which represents the distance of the circumference from point H. Mark a point (J) ½" in front of I on the lower arc. Draw a line from J to X.

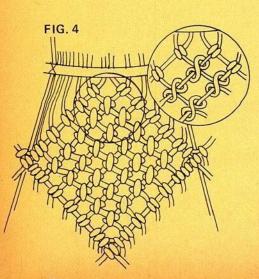
Cut out the pattern and make sure it fits perfectly inside the frame before cutting the styrene.

Lining. Cut the styrene, using the pattern. Spray entire opaque side of styrene with spray adhesive. Place this side against wrong side of cloth. Then, turn so cloth side is up, and smooth it with your fingers. Turn over again and cut cloth "4" from edge of styrene. Turn cloth edge over and glue down for binding. Fit lining into shade. Remove, and glue the sides together; glue bias tape over seam. Dab heavy-bodied craft glue around inside edges of shade and press lining into place.









Tiffany Bleu

Materials. 190 yds of No. 5 mm or No. 72 cord (cotton cable is shown); one tiffany frame; one collar; binding tape; electrical parts: one Artisan Swag Kit No. 3.

With bits of tape, join the collar to the frame in four places.

Ribs. Cut 8 cords 51/2 feet long.

Wrap each rib from the collar down, wrapping over 1" end of cord on outside of rib at beginning of wrap. Crisscross the wrap over each ring as you come to it.

DHH cord around bottom scalloped ring, leaving end for part of fringe.

Rings. Cut a cord 12 feet long.

Wrap cord around rings. Crisscross wrap over each rib as you come to it.

Top Section. Cut 48 cords 10 feet long.

Attach six cords to each section of the collar with a LHK. Tie a SHH on the left side of each LHK to fill the space.

Tie a DHH diamond motif in each section of the collar (Fig. 2.)

Middle Section. Draw all cords straight down behind the ring where the collar and frame meet, and work the top half of another DHH diamond at midpoint between ribs (Fig. 3).

Cut 8 cords 8 feet long.

Add one cord over each rib just before the holding cords from the diamonds are about to cross (see Fig. 3). Draw the cord halfway behind the left holding cord and SHH around it; then SHH around the right holding cord. DHH the left holding cord around the right holding cord. The bottom half of every other diamond is begun by DHHing the newly added cord around holding cords.

The inverted double half hitch motif is worked by tieing a reverse DHH diamond motif in every other diamond.

To do this, you will DHH one set of cords over the other (Fig. 4). The reverse DHH is started by drawing the cords over the top of the holding cord.

Cut 8 cords 5 feet long.

Complete the first round of diamonds by DHHing around the holding cords to form the bottom line of the diamond. Add a cord at the point of each diamond with a LHK tied around both holding cords. DHH holding cords over each other at the point. Tie second round of diamonds.

Cut 8 cords 3 feet long. Add cords in over each rib at the point of the diamond, the same way you added in Fig. 2.

Cut 8 cords 2 feet long. LHK cords where ribs and cuff ring cross.

Bottom Section. Draw all cords straight down and tie them to cuff ring with DHHs. Tie diamond motif around, as pictured on page 18.

DHH all cords over bottom scalloped rim. Unravel cords and cut them into scalloped fringe, 4" long.

Lining. For the top section, make a pattern, cut styrene and cloth, and laminate according to "How to Line a Shade" on page 19.

For the scalloped section, make a pattern from one section by tracing around inside of wire frame. Cut out pattern and set it into each section of frame to establish uniformity of sections. Draw 8 sections side by side, adjusting for any irregularities. Cut out 8-section pattern and use it to cut styrene and cloth. Laminate as above.

Fit the top section of the lining into frame; remove and glue sides together. Repeat for bottom section. Attach bottom section to top section by gluing a narrow strip of bias tape around joint. Dab glue around inside edge of shade and press lining in place.

Attach electrical parts, following the instructions in the kit.

CRAFTS 'N THINGS

Lotus Blossom

Materials. 303 yds. of No. 5 mm or 3/8" thick cord (elephant cord is shown); the Macrapole; one 3" ring; one 4" ring; one 10" ring; one 8" square with crossbars; two 10" squares with crossbars; two 12" squares with crossbars; electrical parts: Artisan Swag Kit No. 2.

Hanger. Cut 16 cords 18 feet long; cut 1 cord 12 feet long.

Draw the 16 cords halfway through "S" hook on the Macrapole. Place the 12 foot cord under the other 16 cords and draw it halfway through the hook.

Using the two strands of the 12 foot cord- as the knotting cords, tie 10" of SKS. This is done by drawing the 16 cords 5" from the halfway mark and tieing knots around all 16 cords at the hook. When you have 10" of SKS, fold this section in half and tie the two sides together, with a tight SK around all 32 cords. Remove from S hook.

Turn your work upside down on the Macrapole (Fig. 1). Divide the cords into four sets of 8 cords each. Then, build up 8 rounds of CK.

Top Section. Turn the tubing right side up with loop hanging from the S hook. Introduce 3" and 4" rings to the Macrapole from the bottom with a hub under each one, as follows. Set the 3" ring just below the last CK. Place the spokes on the hubs; center and tie the ring down. DHH all 32 cords around the 3" ring.

Set the 4" ring about 1" below the 3" ring. DHH all 32 cords around the 4" ring. Withdraw the spokes and drop the hubs.

Cut 16 cords 10 feet long.

Reset top hub below 4" ring; tie down. Introduce 8" square to the Macrapole from the bottom and place a hub under it. Set it on the spokes about 3½" below the 4" ring; tie down.

Fold the 16 cords in half and LHK them between each cord around the 4" ring. Draw all cords straight down and THH 16 on each side of the square.

Tie 4 cords SKS on each side. Tie five rounds of ASK, tightening knots with each round; tie five more rounds of ASK, loosening knots with each round.

Now, for the 11th round of this group, make a point at each corner to fit the next square frame by tieing 2 ASKs at JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1978

each corner. For the 12th round, tie one ASK below each two of the 11th round.

Set the 10" square about 6" below the 8" square. THH all cords over it, 16 to a side.

Cut 24 cords 45" long.

LHK 6 cords onto each side of the square, spacing them even distances between the cords that are already there. Tie four rounds of ASK, tightening knots with each round; tie four more rounds of ASK, loosening knots with each round.

For the 9th round of this group, make a point at each corner to fit the next square frame by tieing 3 ASKs at each corner. For the 10th round, tie 2 ASKs below the 3 of 9th round. For the 11th round, tie 1 ASK below the 2 of 10th round.

Set the 12" square 3" below the 10" square. THH all cords over it, 28 to a side.

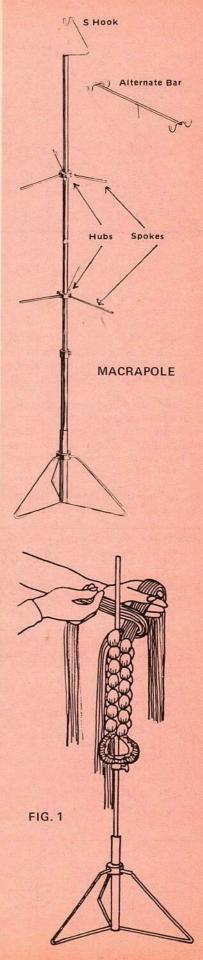
Columns (Sennits). Cut 4 cords 16½ feet long; cut 12 cords 7½ feet long.

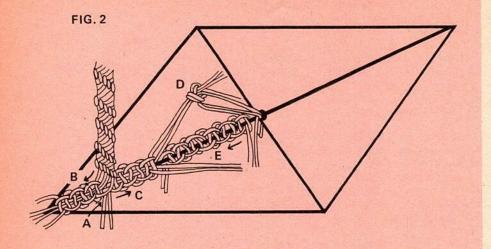
For each column, draw 3 of the 7½ foot cords in half over the crossbar of the 10" square, about 1" from corner. Drop one 16½ foot cord in half from the top of the knots over the corner SK and down around the 6 cords below on the crossbar. Tie a SK around these 6 cords with the two strands of 16½ foot cord.

Drop down just below the crossbar of the 12" frame. Place 3 of the shorter cords on either side of the crossbar and tie a HK around all six with the two strands of the 16½ foot cord as knotting cords. Tie HKTs for a length of 12". Repeat for each of the other three columns.

Finishing the Top Section. Turn the tubing over and reset the work upside down, removing from the S hook again. Place a hub on the Macrapole, followed by 10" ring. Set 10" ring against 12" square. Center the ring and tie down. DHH all cords over it. Allow the columns to come through in a place that is natural for each. Dab glue on each knot; cut the tag ends off close to the knots. Turn the work right side up, hanging the top loop from the S hook.

Bottom Section. Set 12" square 12" below the last one. Attach each column to a crossbar about 2" from corner. Do this by dropping four cords on each side of bar. Then tie the two





knotting cords in a half knot directly under the crossbar (Fig. 2-A).

Now, with four of the remaining cords, tie SKs along the crossbar to the corner, using 2 of these cords (along with the crossbar) as fillers (Fig. 2-B).

Next, using the 2 remaining cords (and the crossbar) as fillers, and the 2 cords tied under the crossbar as knotting cords, tie 2 SKs in the opposite direction (Fig. 2-C). Repeat on the other three crossbars.

Take two cords from each crossbar and tie 1 SK at a center point in the

space between the crossbars (Fig. 2-D). Draw these cords back to the crossbar and tie a SK near the center washer. Leave 2 of the cords here to drop through hole in washer after you take piece off the Macrapole.

Using two of the cords as knotting cords and the crossbar as the only filler, tie SKs back toward the outside of the square until all wire is covered (Fig. 2-E). Cut off ends and glue them under wire.

Leave the remaining cords hanging until later, when the work is taken off the Macrapole.

Cut 52 cords 45" long.

Fold each cord in half and attach to the 12" square by LHKs, 13 to a side. Tie four rounds of ASKs. Tie three rounds of ASKs, tightening knots with each round; tie three more rounds of ASKs, loosening knots with each round.

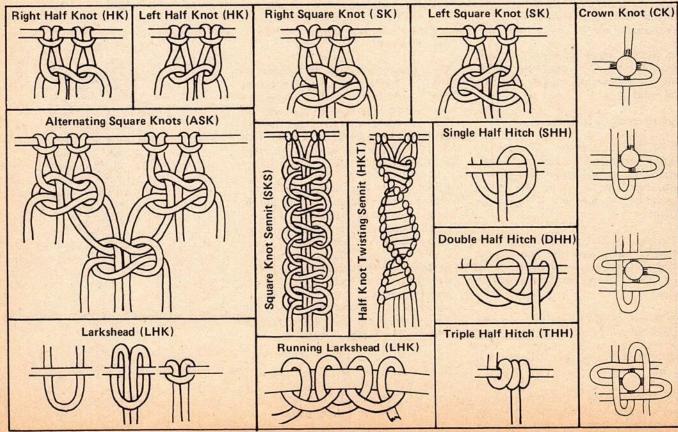
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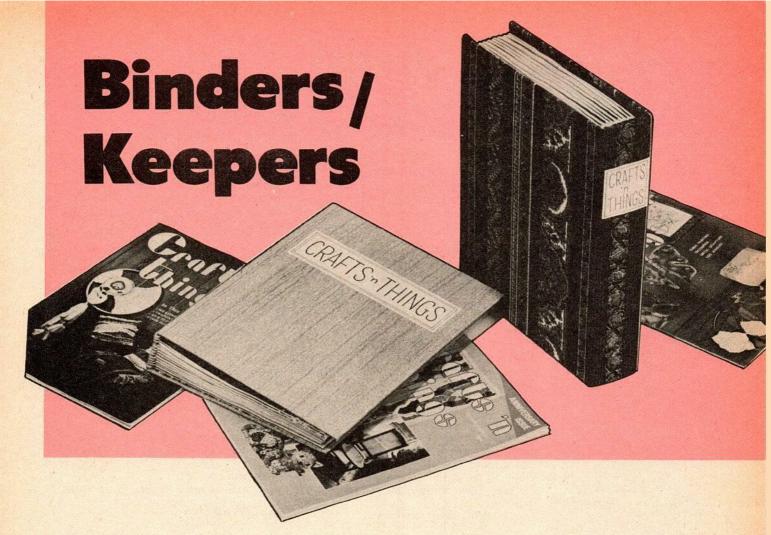
For the 12th round, tie one ASK below each two of 11th round.

Set the 10" square about 3" below the 12" square. THH all cords over it. Dab glue on each cord at knot. Clip cords off close to knot. Turn edge to the underside. Remove the work from the Macrapole.

Drop two of the cords that are left near the washer down through the hole in the washer. Tie a SK with these cords around all cords that are left near washer. Tie another SK around all cords. Cut ends close to knot, and dab with glue to secure.

Attach the electrical parts, following the instructions in the kit. Then, if you want, place an appropriate object in the pagoda.





Make your own pretty binder to hold 12 issues of Crafts 'n Things or similar-size magazines. It's really easy, and then your magazines won't get lost or dog-eared.

Materials. Heavy cardboard or fiberboard, such as Masonite[™], cut as follows: two pieces 8½" x 11½" (covers), and one piece 2" x 11½" (spine); plastic-coated fabric tape; plastic lacing; fabric or adhesive-backed paper (to cover the finished binder).

Fig. 1. To tape the binder together, lay one cover and the spine out flat, 1/8" apart and with right sides up. Cut a piece of tape, 13½" long, and tape it along the seam, leaving about 1½" extending at each end. Smooth the tape down firmly. Turn the cardboard over and fold the excess tape to the inside. Cover the inside seam with another piece of tape, 11½" long. Repeat to attach the other cover.

Fig. 2. Lacing may be done before or after covering the binder, depending on whether or not you want the lacing exposed along the spine for effect. Start your lacing on the inside of the spine, leaving the end extending several inches for tieing. Wind the plastic lacing around the spine 12 times (for 12 issues). Tie the ends together tightly, and trim.

Fig. 3. To cover the binder with adhesive-backed paper or fabric, cut a piece of the paper or fabric ¾" larger on all sides than the opened-out binder. Clip the covering at an angle at the spine.

Fig. 4. Turn down and press or glue the spine flap. Then, place the binder on the covering.

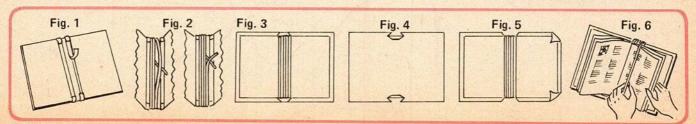
Fig. 5. Fold over the corners and then the sides of the covering, pressing or gluing in place.

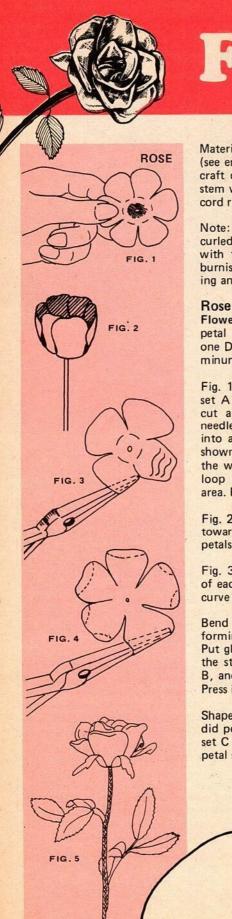
Cut a piece of contrasting fabric or paper, $7\frac{1}{2}$ " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the inside of each cover. Press or glue in place.

You can also cover your binder in other ways, if you wish. Maybe you'll want to decoupage it. Or, you may glue patches of fabric in place for the ever popular look of patchwork. Or, how about a collage.

Fig. 6. To insert your magazines, open the first issue to the center pages and slip it under the first lacing to the center fold. Close the magazine, and it will stay in place. Repeat with each issue. The lacing will stretch enough so you can assemble the magazines without any difficulty.

Attach a gummed label, printed with the name "Crafts 'n Things" plus the dates covered by the issues inside, to the spine of the binder for easy identification on your bookshelf.





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Foil Flowers

Materials. 36 gauge aluminum tooling foil (see end of article for source); scissors; clear craft cement or jewelry glue; No. 18 gauge stem wire; needle nose pliers; round silver tie cord ribbon; artificial leaves; wire cutters.

Note: If the aluminum tooling foil becomes curled or bent after cutting it, press it flat with the end of a ruler or any other flat burnisher. This should be done before curling any petal edges or scribing any leaf veins.

Flower. Using the patterns given, cut one A petal set, one B petal set, one C petal set, one D petal set, and one calyx from the aluminum tooling foil.

Fig. 1. Shape and curve each petal of petal set A around your thumb, as shown. Then, cut a length of stem wire and, with the needle nose pliers, form one end of the wire into a loop. Apply glue to the shaded area shown in the center of petal set A and insert the wire down through the center until the loop rests (at a right angle) on the glued area. Press in place and let dry.

Fig. 2. Bend the petals of petal set A upward towards the center, forming a cluster of petals around the wire loop.

Fig. 3. With the pliers, turn under the sides of each petal of petal set B. Then, shape and curve each petal as shown.

Bend all the petals of petal set B upward, forming a cup shape with a square center. Put glue on the bottom of petal set A, insert the stem into the square center of petal set B, and push petal set B up to petal set A. Press in place and let dry.

Shape and curve petal set C the same as you did petal set B. Then, position and glue petal set C to petal set B as you did petal set B to petal set A.

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Fig. 4. Shape and curve petal set D, as shown, leaving some of the top edges of each petal straight to add realism. Then, position and glue petal set D to petal set C as you did petal set C to petal set B.

Then, glue the calyx piece to the base of the flower section.

Stem and Leaves (Fig. 5). Cut the silver ribbon tie cord the length of the stem and pull out the center filler. This will form a tube into which you insert the stem wire. Glue the end of the silver ribbon under the calyx.

Straighten the stem of an artificial leaf. Then, slowly and carefully insert the leaf stem into the tie cord ribbon, following down through the ribbon alongside the stem wire. To secure the leaf to the stem, apply glue at the place where the leaf stem and tie cord ribbon meet.

Rosebud

A rosebud is made similar to the Rose, except you only use petal set A, petal set C, and the calyx.

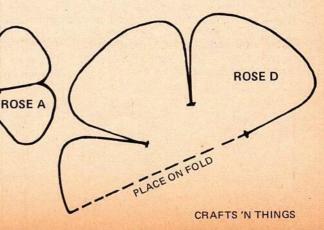
Shape and curve the petals of each set and cup them together closely. Add stem wire, glue, silver ribbon tie cord, and leaves.

Daisy

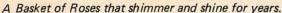
Flower. Using the pattern given, cut two identical daisy shapes from the aluminum tooling foil.

On the underside of each daisy shape, scribe two or three lines, as shown in the pattern piece, with a knitting needle or a similar kind of instrument.

Glue one daisy shape on top of the other, staggering the petals. Insert a stem wire as done in the Rose. Then, glue the center piece (can be a button, pompon, or a circle of foil) onto the top of the daisy.







Stem and Leaves. Cover stem wire with tie cord ribbon as done in Rose.

Using pattern given, cut leaf shapes from aluminum tooling foil.

With pliers, pinch end of each leaf together as shown in pattern piece, making it narrow enough to insert in tie cord ribbon as done with Rose leaves. Insert leaves in pairs opposite each other, secure with glue.

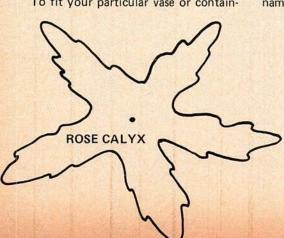
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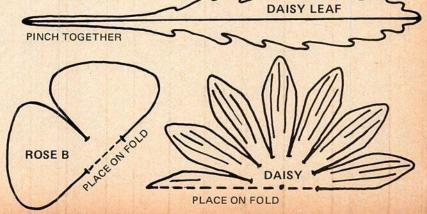
er, the stems of foil roses and/or daisies can be shortened with wire cutters. Arrange flowers with white baby's breath or other colorful tiny straw flowers. For additional glitter, add filigree jewelry findings on stems covered with silver ribbon tie cord.

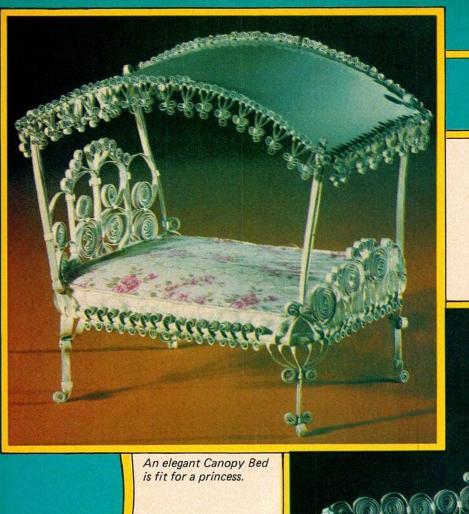
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A Baby Carriage actually rolls on wrought wheels.

Glass-top Table and regal Chairs delight all ages.





TIN CANS... (a) (a) Coiled & Curled

Fantastic filigree was once a tin can! Create delicate and lacy furniture pieces, 3½" to 6½" high, that are sure to draw attention and admiration wherever you place them.

Tools and Equipment. Straight cut shears (preferably with a serrated edge); needle nose pliers; a tin curler, 1/8" in diameter, with a slotted end; a metal ruler; a cloth tape measure; a grease pencil; clear craft glue; paint; an electric or mechanical can opener; cans of various types, sizes and shapes. Specific materials are listed below under each project.

General Information

Clamps are short pieces of tin that are wrapped around strips and pinched tightly to hold strips together (Fig. 1).

Seats and cushions are shaped from plastic foam, covered with desired fabric, and glued in place after the project is completed.

Note: It is advisable to wear gloves while working to prevent cuts when cutting and handling the tin cans.

General Techniques

Prepare...the cans you are going to use by washing them thoroughly, inside and out. Let dry.

Remove...the lid and top rim from the can with the can opener (Fig. 2).

Then, remove the vertical seam on the can by cutting with the shears along both sides of the seam and bending it back and forth until it snaps off.

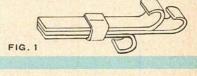
Mark...the can into predetermined strips with a grease pencil and a metal ruler and/or tape measure (Fig. 3).

Cut...the marked strips to the prescribed depth with the straight cut shears (Fig. 4). To cut the strips in equal widths, first cut in the center of the space to be cut. Then, cut in the center of each succeeding part until all strips are approximately 1/8" wide. (All cuts are this width.)

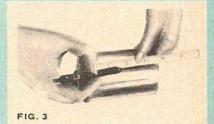
Curl...each strip with the curling tool or pliers by taking hold of the end of the strip with the tool used and twisting or rotating the tool until the curl is the size desired (Fig. 5).

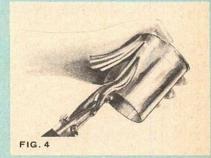
For a nice, neat curl, take hold of the strip so that the tool makes a right angle with the strip.

Paint...the finished project with lacquer or acrylic paint of desired color. The paint can be either brushed or sprayed. Let dry thoroughly.













Hazel G. Fuller of Langley, Washington, has been doing tin can craft since 1962, when she joined a local club. The club still meets once a month to compare and exchange ideas.

Mrs. Fuller has exhibited her tin can miniatures at fairs and festivals, winning medals and ribbons. She has also taught classes and given demonstrations on tin can craft to clubs, church groups and on television.

Canopy Bed

Materials. One-gallon rectangular can for bed; one-gallon round No. 10 can (with no ridges on side) for canopy. (This is an institutional size, 7" high and 5-1/8" diameter, that fruits and vegetables come in. Ask a local restaurant to save one for you.)

Legs (Fig. 1). Remove top rim and seam of rectangular can. Invert the can. Cut ten strips at each corner to bottom rim, cutting five on each side of corner. Leave two center strips down; alternate remaining strips up and down. Clamp the six down strips together in center, ¾" from rim. Shorten end strip on each side to 2" and curl to clamp. Clamp remaining four strips together 1" below first

clamp. Cut any one strip off at clamp and shorten other three to 2"; curl to clamp. Turn center curl to right angle of other two curls to form a sturdy foot. The four strips extending upward will be used later for the bedpost.

Make the other 3 legs the same way.

Base. Cut the long sides of the can (the sides of the bed) into strips, and shorten each strip to 1½". Bend every other strip up over the rim, turning all the strips at right angles to the rim. Curl all the strips tightly to rim.

Cut the short sides of the can (the front and back of the bed) into 24 strips. Bend every other strip up over

the rim. Shorten the down strips to 1½" and curl them tightly to rim.

Bedposts. To make each post, clamp the four strips from the leg, 5/8" from the rim. Shorten the strip that faces the side of the bed to 1½" and curl it to the clamp. (Refer back to Fig. 1.)

The remaining three strips are used as a post to support the canopy.

Make the 3 other posts the same way.

Foot of Bed (Fig. 2). Curl and clamp the strips to make the design shown.

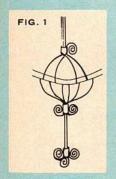
Head of Bed (Fig. 3). Insert and clamp two extra strips in the center of each group of four to give enough strips for design. Then curl and clamp in the design shown.

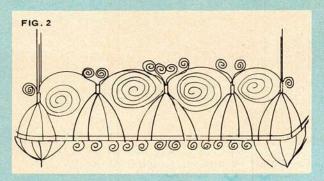
Canopy. Remove the top and bottom rim, the bottom lid, and the seams from the round can. Flatten out the tin and mark a rectangle 1½" wider and 2½" longer than the bed.

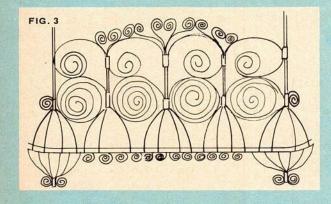
Cut strips to the marked rectangle on all sides. Then, bend every other strip up and the others down. Curl all up strips to the mark. Clamp the down strips, in groups of three, 3/8" from mark; curl each strip to clamp.

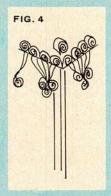
Fig. 4. With a small screwdriver, make a slit in each corner of the rectangle for fastening the canopy to the bed posts. At each corner, clamp the top of three corner bedpost strips together 3½" from rim. Cut one strip off at the clamp. Curl the second strip to the clamp. This curl will be on underside of the canopy. Put the third strip through the slit in the canopy, shorten to 1½" and curl it down to the top of the canopy.

Paint the bed, and add a padded foam cushion mattress.









Baby Carriage

Materials. Rectangular oil can, one quart size, for base; one soup can, 2-5/8" in diameter, for hood; four 6 oz. juice cans for wheels; three narrow strips, 1/8" x 18" cut from around a 3 lb. coffee can, for handle; two pieces of copper tubing, 3/16" in diameter and 2½" long, for axle housing; two pieces of copper tubing, 1/8" in diameter and 3-3/8" long, for axles; and eight 1/8" flat washers for wheel hubs.

Base (Fig. 1). Remove top rim and seam of rectangular oil can. Invert the

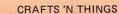
can. Make one cut to bottom rim at one corner of can. Then, cut seven strips from this first cut on the long side of the can. Bend the center strip up. Shorten the other strips to 1" and let hang. These strips will be used later to attach wheel unit.

Repeat this procedure for the other three corners.

Measure, mark and cut the ends of the can (front and back of carriage) into 18 narrow strips and the uncut long

sides of the can (sides of buggy) into 34 narrow strips. Then, bend every other strip up over the rim. Cut off the hanging strips to 34" and curl them tightly to the rim with the curling tool (see Fig. 2). Save the cut-off strips for use later as extra strips. Remember to leave six strips hanging on the long side of each corner to be used later to attach the wheels.

Fig. 3. Decide which end of can will be used as head of carriage. On this end, insert and clamp one extra strip in cen-



ter of group of four strips. Insert and clamp one extra strip in center of next two groups of two on both sides of center group of four.

You have inserted and clamped a total of five extra strips.

Fig. 4. Then, curl all the strips around body of carriage in design shown. Clamp curls together as you go.

Make sure that five added strips at head are left uncurled. These strips are used later to attach hood.

Hood. Remove the top rim and seam of the soup can. Then, measure and cut the can to the bottom rim. Invert the can. Shorten every other strip to 1%" and clamp together, in groups of three, ¼" from rim. Shorten each strip to ½" from clamp and curl each strip of every group up to clamp.

Turn other 48 strips up over rim and clamp together, in groups of three, 1" from rim. Shorten the two outside strips of these groups to about ½" above clamp, and curl up to clamp, leaving the center strip uncurled.

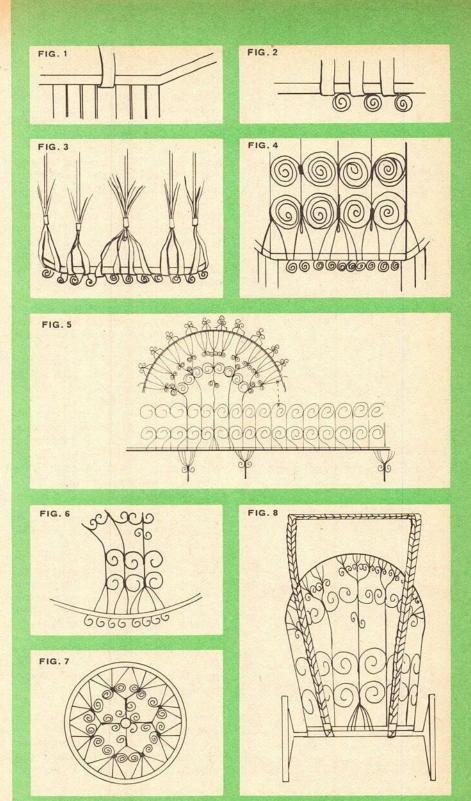
Cut rim of can in half at seam. Cut off and save 12 short groups of three and 11 long groups of three from one half. Discard bottom lid and any remaining part of can from this half. Shape hood (other half of can) with pliers.

Figs. 5 and 6. Clamp hood to head of carriage on each side at third large curl from corner. Then, clamp back of hood to carriage using extra strips and saved curls.

Wheels. (Fig. 7). For each wheel, remove bottom lid, top rim and seam of juice can. Measure and cut can down to bottom rim into 64 equal strips. Remove every other strip, leaving 32 strips intact. Clamp strips together, in groups of four, ½" from rim. Cut any one strip off at clamp, leaving three strips in each group. Then, curl two outside strips of each group to clamp.

Shorten remaining eight strips to 1-5/8" in length. Clamp together, in groups of two, ¼" from last clamp, making four groups of two. Curl strips on the right tight to the clamp; curl strips on the left just far enough so four curls meet in center. Then, glue 1/8" flat washer in center, one on each side of wheel. Make 3 more wheels.

Glue one wheel on axle $(1/8" \times 3.3/8"$ copper tubing); let dry. Insert axle in axle housing $(3/16" \times 2\%"$ copper tubing) and glue wheel on other end of

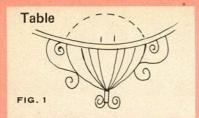


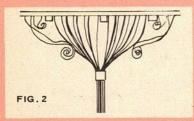
axle. Let dry. Fasten this wheel unit to carriage by wrapping strips (left extended earlier for this purpose) around axle housing. Repeat procedure for other wheel unit. Cut 4 small circles of tin from discarded lids, each about 3/8" in diameter; shape and glue each over ends of axles for hub caps.

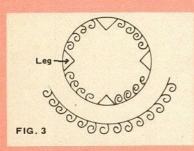
Handle (Fig. 8). Braid three strips of tin $(1/8" \times 18")$. Cut off two small curls on base, closest to the wheel,

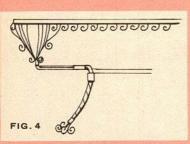
from each corner at head of carriage. This will enable the handle to slip easily between axle housing and base of carriage underneath the carriage. Glue to bottom of carriage. Then, bend handle into shape and clamp to back of carriage to secure.

Paint the carriage, and let dry. Cut a pad of plastic foam to fit the inside of the carriage; cover with fabric, and glue in place.









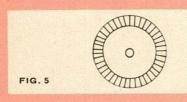




Table and Chairs

Table

Materials. One round gallon can, 6½" in diameter (number 10 can); one rim from top of can, 2-5/8" in diameter; one tin disc, 4-7/8" in diameter, from 2 lb. coffee can; one screw cap from bottle or can, 1" in diameter; one glass disc to fit top of table; florist's clay; small tin or plastic flowers.

Leg Supports (Figs. 1 and 2). Remove top rim, seam and bottom lid from gallon can. Starting at seam, measure and divide can into four equal parts. Mark and cut a strip at each division. Remove these four strips.

Then, on each side of the removed strip, cut seven strips. Remove the fifth strip on each side and clamp the center eight strips together, 1" from rim. Curl the sixth strip on each side to rim; curl last strip on each side to fourth strip and clamp. The extending strips will form the legs.

Top Edge (Fig. 3). Shorten the rest of the can to 1½"; cut into strips. Turn every other strip to rim and curl. Curl remaining strips to inside of rim. These inner curls will serve as a ledge to support the glass top.

Legs (Fig. 4). Turn each leg to a right angle at clamp so that all four legs are facing center; clamp 2" from turn. Put top two strips of leg over 2-5/8" rim. Bend all strips down and clamp as close to ring as possible. Clamp again, 3" from last clamp. Wrap narrow strip of tin around each leg, leaving about 3" at bottom of leg unwrapped.

Form foot by curling up each strip of leg to the wrap. Turn strips so that they form a nice, sturdy foot. Slightly bend legs outward.

Center (Fig. 5). Place 1" screw cap in center of 4-7/8" tin disc and mark around edge of cap on disc; cut hole in disc for screw cap to fit. Invert table; place disc under center rim and mark

around edge of rim on disc. Remove disc; cut 64 strips from edge of disc to mark, making each strip about 3" in length. Curl every third strip to mark and turn to lie flat on top of disc.

Of the remaining strips, curl every other strip to lie flat at edge of disc. Again position disc under rim, and fasten by curling remaining strips over edge of rim to hold it in place with tight curls on bottom of disc.

Fig. 6. Glue screw cap in hole in disc. Paint entire table; let dry. Then, fill recessed screw cap with florist's clay and insert stems of tin or plastic flowers and leaves into clay.

Tabletop. Put thick clear glue on ledge of tight curls around top of table.

Place the glass disc on the ledge and turn the table upside down on a flat surface to dry overnight.

Chair

Materials. One soup can, 2-5/8" diameter.

Remove top rim and seam of can. Invert the can. Measure and cut can into 64 strips.

Starting at seam space and working to left, bend strips up and down in the design shown.

Front. Remove the first five up strips from seam. Shorten the first six down strips to 1½" and curl them to rim so they are facing seam.

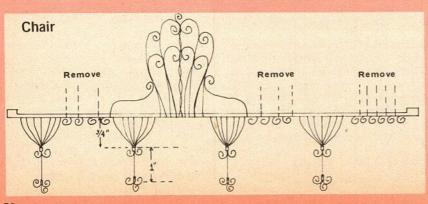
Leg. Clamp next seven down strips together, ½" from rim. Shorten two outside strips to 1½" and curl to clamp. Clamp remaining five strips together, 1" below last clamp; remove two outside strips at clamp. Curl last three strips to clamp. Turn center curl at right angle to other two curls to make a nice, sturdy foot.

Remove next three up strips; curl next four down strips to rim. Next up strip will be curled and clamped to back. Make another leg.

Back. Twist nine center strips of back into design shown; curl and clamp. Do not shorten any strips.

Make third leg. Curl and clamp next up strip to back. Remove next three up strips; curl next four down strips to rim. Make fourth leg.

Paint the chair and add a fabric-covered padded foam cushion.



Make a "Draw Myself" Doll

Want to show a favorite little one that he or she is something special? Let the child draw a self-portrait, either with just pencil or with crayons. Then, you can transform that picture into a stuffed doll — one to be treasured day by day, year after year.

To make a doll four times as large as the drawing, draw a ¼" grid (lines forming ¼" squares) over the drawing, as shown.



Or, if you wish to preserve the original drawing, trace it onto another piece of paper. (To make the doll larger or smaller than this, use a larger or smaller size grid.) Number the rows across the top and down the side.

On a brown paper bag or similar paper, make a 1" grid. Again, number the rows. On the 1" grid, draw the self-portrait, square by square. You now have an enlarged pattern for the doll.

Decide what materials you will use for the various parts of the doll. Then, cut your pattern apart into these pieces. (It will help to mark the direction for top and bottom on the pattern pieces.)

Lay each pattern piece on a double thickness of the material you have decided to use for that section. Cut out, allowing 3/8" (or "4" on smaller pieces) all around each piece for seams.

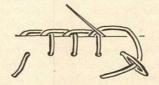
Using carbon paper, transfer the features of the face and any other special added trims, such as shoelaces, neck-

laces and bracelets onto the fabric pieces. These can be embroidered or cut from felt and glued in place later.

Sew all the front pieces together first: head to body; arms to body; legs to body. Sew back pieces together the same way. Then, with right sides together, sew front to back, leaving a large opening around top of head. Snip seams at all curves and corners.

Turn right side out very carefully. If narrow seams should tear, they can be repaired later with a blanket stitch.

You may stuff the doll loosely or tightly. Then, sew the head opening closed, using a blanket stitch.



BLANKET STITCH

To finish the doll, add features and trim. For hair, embroider curls and waves onto the hair section. Or, wind yarn over a book or piece of cardboard, making loops. Work with small amounts of yarn at one time. Slip the loops off the book and lay on head. Attach to the head at intervals with a running stitch.

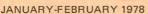


RUNNING STITCH

Now your gift is ready. Present the doll along with the original drawing to one of the smilingest, most delighted recipients you can imagine.



Mrs. Carol Potter of Hoffman Estates, Illinois is the originator of the "Draw Myself" doll. Carol has been making these dolls for about four years. The doll is one of a "Design-a-Doll" collection currently available at The Arkwright, 5 Long Grove Rd., Dept. CT, Long Grove, IL 60047.





Cakes a la

Next time you volunteer to "bring the cake," make it very special with a minimum amount of effort and a maximum amount of fun, both for you and for the guests. The cakes shown here were each made with a baked, cooled 9" x 13" cake that is cut into pieces, assembled with seven-minute frosting, and decorated with tinted coconut and candy. Make one for a birthday or just to brighten an ordinary day!

Seven-Minute Frosting. Combine 2 egg whites, 1½ cups sugar, dash of salt, 1/3 cup water and 2 teaspoons light corn syrup in top of double boiler. Beat about 1 minute, or until thoroughly mixed. Place over boiling water and beat constantly with hand beater or at high speed of electric mixer for 7 minutes, or until frosting will stand in stiff peaks, stirring occasionally with a rubber scraper. Remove from boiling water. Pour at once into large bowl. Add

1 teaspoon vanilla and beat 1 minute, or until thick enough to spread. Makes 4½ cups.

How to Tint Coconut. Mix ½ teaspoon milk or water with a few drops of food coloring in bowl. Add coconut and toss with fork until evenly coated.

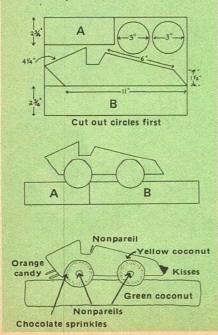
Cutting and Assembling. Cut pieces for each cake as shown by its diagram. For ease in cutting, first measure and mark distances with toothpicks; cut between toothpicks with sharp knife. Arrange pieces on large tray, cutting board, baking sheet or aluminum-covered cardboard in size given.

When assembling cake, place small amount of frosting between pieces that are joined to hold them together; frost entire cake to give appearance of a single piece. Round off corners for a better appearance.

Racing Car Cake

For the car, you'll need cake and frosting; about 1-1/3 cups flaked coconut; green and yellow food coloring; 3 large nonpareils; 2 chocolate kisses; 1 stick orange hard candy (broken in half); 1 orange gumdrop; chocolate sprinkles; a doll race car driver (optional).

Cut the cake and assemble, as shown, on a 14" x 20" tray. Tint half of the coconut light green and the other half yellow with food coloring. Frost and decorate the cake pieces, doing the wheels separately (do not sprinkle coconut in cockpit or on wheels). When finished, place the wheels on top of the roadway and car.



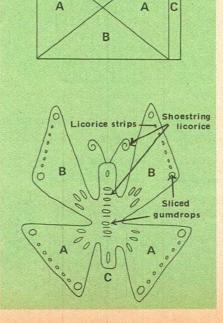
Butterfly Cake

In addition to the cake and frosting, you'll need about 1-1/3 cups coconut; yellow food coloring; large and small gumdrops; black licorice strips; black shoestring licorice.

Cut the cake and assemble it, as shown, on a 14" x 22" tray. Tint the coconut pale yellow.

Sprinkle the frosted cake with coconut and then decorate.

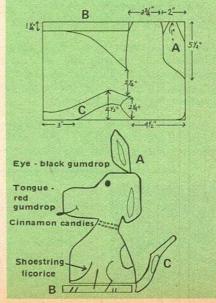
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Spotty the Dog Cake

In addition to cake and frosting, you'll need 2 cups flaked coconut; ½ square unsweetened chocolate, melted; red cinnamon candies; 1 red gumdrop; 1 black gumdrop; black licorice strips; black shoestring licorice. Cut cake and assemble, as shown, on a 42" x 20" tray. Coat about ½ cup of coconut evenly with melted chocolate for a dark brown color, stirring with a fork.

Sprinkle coconut on top and sides of frosted cake (using chocolate-coated coconut for spots) and add details, as shown. For the tongue, place the red gumdrop between two sheets of waxed paper and roll with a rolling pin to flatten, sprinkling the gumdrop with sugar to prevent sticking.



Coconut



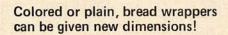
A Racing Car, Butterfly and Spotty the Dog are coconut-ty delights, sure to please the eyes and palates of guests and family members alike.



The cakes shown are from the book, "Baker's® Cut-up Cake Party Book," published by General Foods Corporation, White Plains, New York. General Foods are the manufacturers of Baker's® Angel Flake Coconut. The book is available for \$1.00 from General Foods Recipe Collections, P.O. Box 4114, Kankakee, IL 60901.







Materials. Bread wrappers; scissors; a needle and thread; a No. 13 or 15 steel crochet hook. (Additional materials for each project are listed under that project.) For Basic Crochet Instructions, see page 37.

Preparing the Bread Wrapper

Cut off the seams from the sides of a bread wrapper. Open out the wrapper, smoothing out any folds.

Fold the flattened wrapper in half crosswise. Continue to fold it in half about 4 times. This will make cutting the strips very quick and easy.

Starting at one end of the folded wrapper, cut 1" wide strips, cutting through all the folds. Keep the sides of the strips even as you cut. You should be able to cut about 5 or 6 strips.

Spread out each strip. Place one end of one strip about ¼" over the end of another strip and sew the two strips together. Add on the remaining strips the same way. Roll the long strip into a ball.

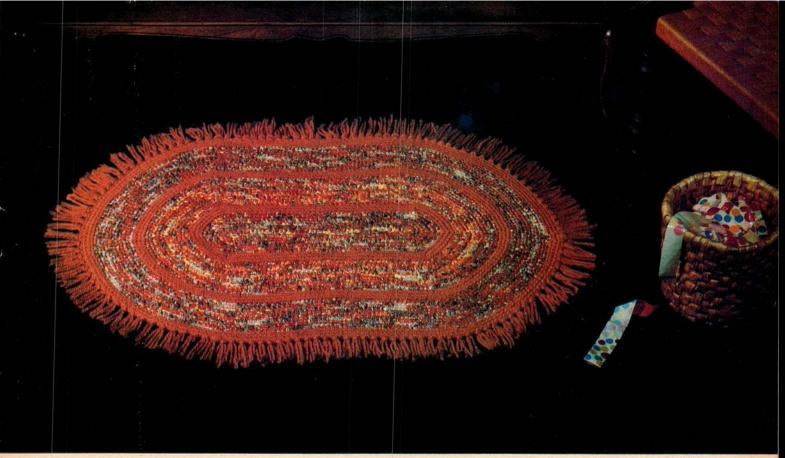
Note: If some wrappers pull hard when crocheting, coat a powder puff with corn starch, fold the puff in half, and pull the strips through the fold.

The Finishing Touches...

You can leave your completed bread wrapper items in their natural color. Or, you can paint the items with shellac or enamel paint. Either way, your project will be most attractive.

When necessary, wash all items with a damp cloth. Never wash them in a washing machine.



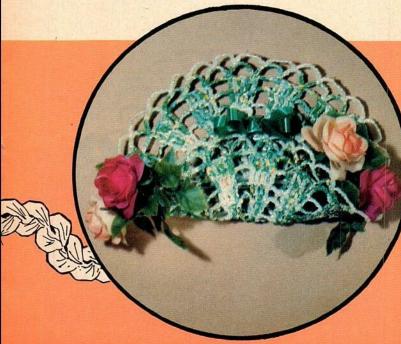


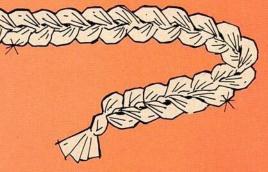
Unbelieveably pretty — an assortment of bread wrapper items. Combined with yarn, the bread wrappers make a unique Rug. Plain wrappers make a sparkling serving Basket. Colored wrappers are crocheted for a speckled Tote Bag or lacy Wall Flower Holder. The crocheting enthusiast will find real joy in this new medium of expression — the bread wrapper.

Mrs. Marjorie Low of Bethany, Illinois, the imaginative designer of all the items shown, is 77 years young. A retired school teacher, Mrs. Low has been married for 56 years.

"I started making bread wrapper items about 3 years ago," Mrs. Low said, "And it has been wonderful therapy for a senior citizen. I have made at least 25 rugs — all sizes — and they last for years."

The items featured are just a sampling of the large variety of bread wrapper accessories Mrs. Low has made.





Additional Materials. A small piece of wood, about 4" square (sanded, then painted or varnished) for the bottom of the basket; a piece of flexible but sturdy wire, about 24" long, for a handle; heavy duty staples and a hammer or staple gun.

Doily. Make a ch of bread wrappers about two or three inches long.

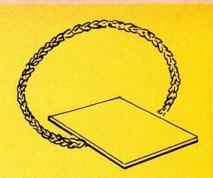
Sc in each ch. Sc in last ch 3 times. Sc in each ch on other side and again sc in last ch 2 times. Sc about twelve rows of wrappers for doily, inc on curved ends as needed.

Scallops. Edge entire doily with scallops.

Rnd. 1. *Ch 7, skip 2 stitches, sc in next stitch, repeat from * around. SI st in first stitch. Tie off.

Rnd. 2. Join strip to any ch 7, loop, ch 1, 6 sc in same loop, *7 sc in next loop. Repeat from * around. SI st in first ch. Tie off.

Basket Handle. Staple the length of wire to the square piece of wood, as shown at right. Cover the handle with wrappers by making three long ch of wrappers and twsiting them around the wire.



Place the doily in the center of the wood base and staple it to the wood to secure. Add a bouquet of dried or artificial flowers, or fill it with cookies or candy for a special treat.

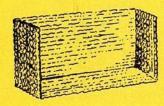
Tote Bag

Additional Materials. You will also need: a needle and thread; a fabric piece, about 20" x 34", to make a lining for the tote bag; scraps of yarn in various colors for flower trim.

Ends and Bottom. One strip will be the ends and the bottom of the bag. To make the strip, make a ch of bread wrappers about 29" long. Sc about eight rows of wrappers or until the piece is about 3" wide.

Sides. Sc enough rows so that each side piece measures 8" x 14".

With thread or yarn, sew the long strip to the two sides, as shown.



Scallops. Edge the entire top of the bag with scallops.

Attach strip to any stitch, sc in same stitch. *Ch 5, skip 2 stitches, sc in next stitch. Repeat from * around. Ch 5, sl st in first sc. Tie off.

Handle. Make a ch of bread wrappers about 12" long. Sc in each st, 3 sc in last stitch. Then sc in each stitch on other side of ch. Tie off.

Sew the handles to the inside of the bag, each handle attached on one side, as pictured on page 34.

Then, line the inside of the bag with the fabric piece. Add crocheted varn or artificial flowers to the front of the bag in a pretty design.

Wall Flower Holder

Here's a pretty way to surprise a friend, cheer a convalescent, or brighten a room of your own!

Additional Material, Ribbon of desired color.

Make a ch of bread wrappers about 14 ch long. Form the ch into a ring, fastening the ends together with a sl st.

Rnd. 1. Ch 4, tr c 25 times into ring, sl st in top of ch 4.

Rnd 2. Ch 5, tr c in each stitch all tr c, tr c in space between tr c's, tr c in around, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of ch 5.

Rnd 3. SI st in ch 1 space, ch 4, tr c in same space, * ch 4, tr c twice in next

ch 1 space. Repeat from * around. Ch 4, sl st in top of first ch 4.

Rnd 4. Ch 4, tr c in space between tr c's, tr c in next tr c, * ch 4, tr c in next



next tr c, as shown. Repeat from around, ch 4, sl st in top of first ch 4.

Rnd 5. Same as rnd 4, but there will

be 4 tr c's worked on top of the 3 tr c's in preceding row.

Rnd 6. Same as rnd 4 but 5 tr c's.

Rnd 7. Same as rnd 4 but 6 tr c's.

Rnd 8. * Ch 9, sc in last tr c before ch 4. Repeat from * around, Ch 9, sl st in first ch of first ch 9. Tie off.

Rnd 9. Join strip to center of ch 9 loop. Sc in loop, * ch 9, sc in next ch 9 loop. Repeat from * around. Ch 9, join to first sc. Tie off.

Finish by folding the lower half of the doily to the center. Tie together with colorful ribbon and add real or artificial flowers.

Oval Rug (24" x 36")

Small rugs, 9" x 20", are perfect for stair treads! Spray with non-skid spray backing (available at hardware stores and rug departments).

Additional Material: rug yarn of desired color.

Make a ch of bread wrappers about 11" or 12" long.

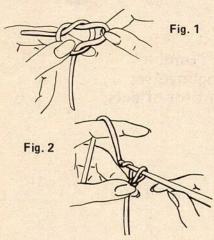
Sc in each ch. Sc in last ch 3 times. Sc in each ch on other side and again sc in last ch 2 times. Sc about seven rows of wrappers, inc on curved ends as needed.

*Sc about three rows of yarn and then sc about eleven rows of bread wrap-

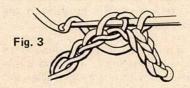
Repeat from *, inc when necessary, until the rug is the desired size. Add yarn fringe all around the edge of the rug, if you wish.

How to Crochet ...

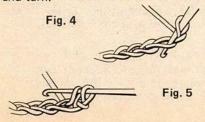
Chain Stitch (ch). Make a loop near the end of the yarn. Draw the main length of yarn through the loop (Fig. 1). Insert the hook in the new loop, and pull both lengths of yarn to tighten the loop on the hook. Loop is now ready to make first ch stitch. Hold the hook in right hand and make second ch st, with yarn over hook (Fig. 2), and draw through loop. Repeat this ch st for required length or as directed. Any stitch desired may be worked on this foundation ch.

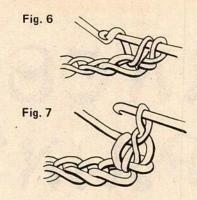


Slip Stitch (sl st). Make a ch desired length. Insert hook in second st from hook (see Fig. 4), thread over hook and pull through ch and through loop on hook (Fig. 3). Continue in this manner across ch. This stitch is used in joining and wherever an invisible st is required such as joining a row, forming a loop or for shaping a garment.



Single Crochet (sc). Chain for desired length, skip 1 ch, insert hook in second ch from hook (Fig. 4), thread over hook and pull through ch. There are now 2 loops on hook (Fig. 5). Thread over hook (Fig. 6) and pull through both loops (Fig. 7), insert hook in next st of ch and pull loop through. Repeat from Fig. 5 across the ch, ch 1, and turn.

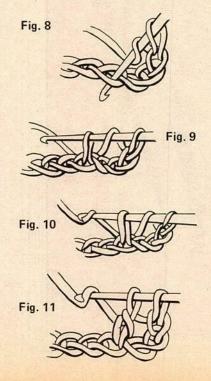




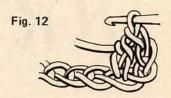
For the second row, insert hook through both loops of sc, and continue working 1 sc into each st. For succeeding rows of sc, ch 1 to turn, insert hook in top of next stitch picking up both threads or loops of stitch and continue same as first row.

Unless otherwise instructed, pick up both loops of st. When only the back loop of stitch is picked up, it forms a rib and is called a rib or slipper stitch.

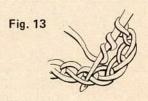
Double Crochet (dc). Ch for desired length, thread over hook, insert hook in fourth ch from hook (Fig. 8). Draw thread through (3 loops on hook as in Fig. 9), thread over hook and pull through 2 loops (Fig. 10). Thread over hook and pull through 2 loops (Fig. 11) — completing dc. Thread over hook, insert in next st of ch and repeat in same manner from Fig. 9 across ch. For succeeding rows, ch 3, turn and work next dc in second dc of previous row. The ch-3 counts as 1 dc.



Short Double Crochet (s dc) or Half Double Crochet (h dc). Ch for desired length, thread over hook, insert hook in third ch from hook, draw thread through (3 loops on hook), thread over hook and draw through all three loops on hook (Fig. 12). For succeeding rows, ch 2 to turn and work 1 s dc in each s dc across row.

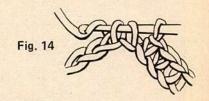


Treble Crochet (tr c). Ch for desired length, thread over hook twice, insert hook in fifth ch from hook (Fig. 13), draw thread through (4 loops on hook), thread over hook, pull through 2 loops, thread over, pull through 2 loops, thread over, pull through 2 loops. For succeeding rows, ch 4, turn and work next tr c in second tr c of previous row. Ch-4 counts as 1 tr c.



DECREASING (dec).

For Single Crochet, insert hook in next stitch, thread over, draw through stitch, insert hook in next stitch, thread over, draw through stitch. There are now three loops on hook. Thread over, draw through all 3 loops at one time. 2 sc have been worked together as 1 sc (Fig. 14).

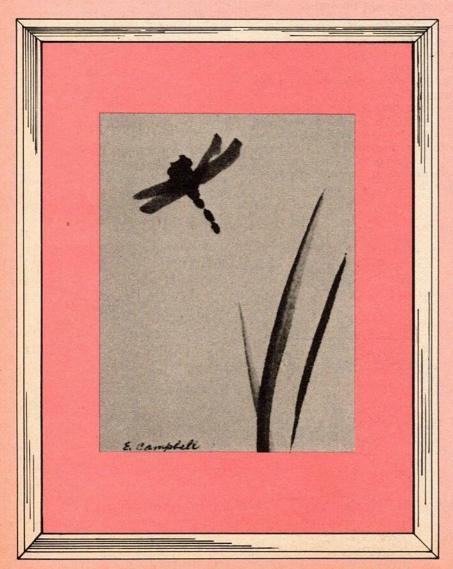


For Double Crochet, work a dc to the point where 2 loops remain on hook (Fig. 11). Thread over, insert in next st, thread over, draw through st (4 loop on hook). Thread over and draw through 2 loops, thread over, and draw remaining 3 loops. 2 dc have been worked as 1 dc.

INCREASING (inc.). Work two stitches in one stitch each time directed. If directions read increase after every fourth stitch, work 4 stitches and work two stitches in next stitch.

JAPAKESE DAITAIRA KAI

Popularly known as "sumi-e," Japanese ink painting involves whole arm movement for effects.

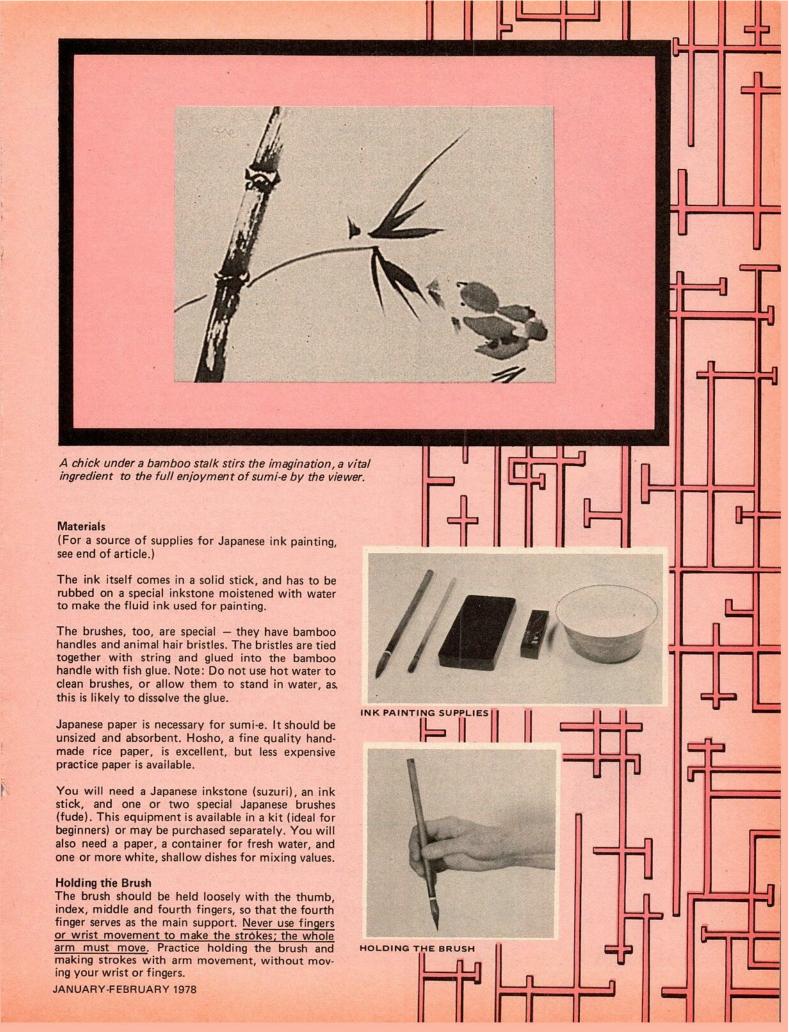


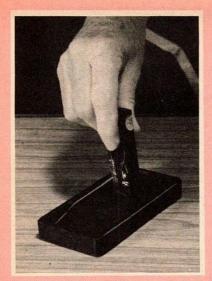
Sumi-e comes from the words "sumi" (ink) and "e" (painting). It is characterized by fundamental lines and dots in various tones of black. The simple effect is deceiving — the several values of black ink applied with a single stroke of the brush can only be achieved by accurately combining correct pressure on the brush with the correct values of ink.

"In sumi-e, the essential thing is to capture the feeling of life, and this is accomplished through tone values and arm movement," says our guest artist. "Life, not realism, is the goal, for in sumi-e something is always left out. The viewer should feel what the artist intends and fill in with his imagination."

Japanese ink painting originated in China during the period 1336-1573. Japanese monks traveled to that country to learn the ink painting styles of Zen, a Buddhist sect. Today the art is associated with both countries.

A Dragonfly and Blades of Grass capture the airy and delicate touch aimed for in ink painting.





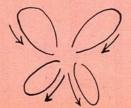
GRINDING THE INK STICK



VARIATIONS ON A CHICK



A BUTTERFLY ALIGHTS



Preparing the Ink

The inkstone has a little well at one end. Place one teaspoon of water (no more) in the well. Dip the ink stick into the well, and use it to pull up water to moisten the surface of the inkstone. Then, hold the ink stick so that it is perpendicular, with the flat end of the stick against the grinding surface. Rub firmly in a circular motion, counting to 100 as you grind. Occasionally you may need to pull up a little more water from the well. When you finish grinding, the sumi (ink) on the inkstone should be very black.

Loading the Brush

Immerse the bristles completely in fresh water; wipe gently on a rag so that some moisture remains in bristles. Then dip tip of brush into the heavy sumi. Press brush gently a few times in the white dish to blend ink and water in the bristles.

"Three Ink Method." To obtain several values of black in a single stroke (such as is used in painting bamboo and fish bodies), wash the bristles in clean water; then charge the brush full with light ink. Now, dip 2/3 of the bristles length into medium ink, and then 1/3 into dark ink. At this point the brush is loaded with dark ink at the tip, medium ink at the center and light ink at the top.

Brush Strokes

In sumi-e, no sketching is possible and no changes can be made, so no two pictures are the same. The absorbency of different types of paper must be considered, and will account for different effects in the stroke. Consequently, the brush strokes are part control and part surprise.

Never move the brush in an opposite direction to the bristles.

Before you begin to paint, you should have the complete image of your subject in mind. Study photographs of your subject. Become familiar with shape and anatomy. Better still, observe from real life birds, animals, flowers, etc.

Chick. To make the head, dip the brush in ink; then hold brush at an angle and press down. (The same stroke in various sizes can be used for the head of a bird, mouse or squirrel.)

The other parts of the chick's body are each made with the same stroke as the head. All the brush strokes in painting the chick are made from left to right. Add the feet and the beak. For the eye, hold the brush vertically, and touch the tip of the brush to the paper.

Butterfly. For the wings, use two strokes at an angle, as shown, leaving space in the middle to paint the darker body and antennae with the brush tip.

Dragonfly. Paint the wings first, by drawing brush horizontally from the outside inward. Leave a space between wings to paint head and body in darker ink.

Bamboo. The stalk is painted in three or five segments. All the segments on a stalk are painted without reloading the brush. By using the three ink method to load the brush, the bamboo stalks will have a rounded appearance.

Begin at the bottom. At the end of each segment (except the topmost one), press slightly. Leave a small space between the segments. For the topmost segment, lift the brush more gradually to taper the stalk as a dry brush stroke.

Leaves. Holding the brush in a vertical position, paint two leaves so they roughly look like a fishtail. Then add another leaf at an angle, starting a little lower than the top of the fishtail. Vary the lengths of each of the leaves.

Mounting

To mount your finished sumi-e, you will need wallpaper paste and mat board (available at art supply stores). Mix paste according to instructions until it is the consistency of medium-thick gravy. Then carefully brush it on the back of the painting. Now, place the mat board on top (wrong side up), and weight it well until it is completely dry. This could take as long as two or three days in very humid weather. Now your sumi-e is ready to frame and display.

Source of Supplies

To obtain supplies for sumi-e, you may write to: Aiko's Art Materials Import, 714 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Send 55¢ for a supply catalog.



Elvera Campbell, our guest artist from Des Plaines, Illinois, studied sumi-e under Ryozo Ogura, the author of "The Lively Art of Ink Painting." She first saw his work at an art exhibit nearly 20 years ago. Overwhelmed with the beauty of his work, she asked him to teach her. Mrs. Campbell took over the classes of Mr. Ogura after his death in 1973. She now teaches Japanese ink painting at Maine Township Adult Evening School. Although proficient in oils and watercolors as well, Mrs. Campbell considers sumi-e more challenging.

Lamp Base

Covered with a mixture of sand and glue, an old lamp base takes on an entirely new look. Or, you can make a base to cover with the mixture. Whatever you do, you'll be excited and pleased with the results.



You'll need an object to be coated with sand for the base of the lamp. This can be an old lamp base, a simple cardboard box, a shapely glass vase, or almost anything else. The sand coat itself will weight an object to provide a sturdy and substantial base.

You'll also need natural and light brown sand (may be purchased at most any craft store); white glue; tube of raw umber acrylic paint; paint brush; whisk broom; cardboard box with short sides or the sides cut down; and a lamp fitting (available at hardware or craft stores).

Instructions

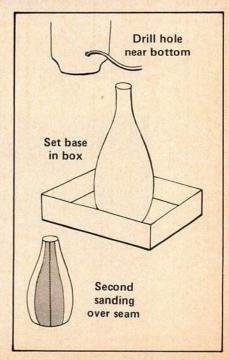
If you are making a lamp from a bottle or similar object, drlll a hole in the side near the bottom, as shown, with an electric drill before you coat the object with sand. For cardboard or plastic, just poke a hole in the side with the point of a scissors.

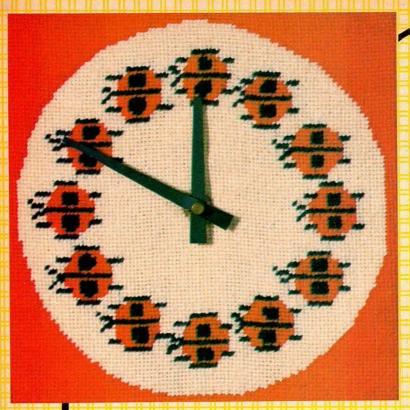
Place the lamp base in the cardboard box, as shown.

Apply white glue liberally to one-third of the object. Let set for about five minutes. Mix the two shades of sand together and pour this mixture over the glued area. Rotate the object, and glue and sand in thirds until the entire object is covered. Let dry thoroughly. Repeat entire process over again, gluing and sanding in thirds. This time however, glue and sand over the seams of the previous coating (shown shaded). Let dry for 24 hours. Brush off any excess sand with a whisk broom.

Mix acrylic paint with water until it is the consistency of paste. Paint desired design onto the object. When dry, seal object with a clear plastic spray.

Connect the lamp parts. Then, cut a piece of felt the size of the bottom of the base and glue in place. This will protect tabletops from scratches.





New Notions in Needlepoint



Get the needlepoint habit! If you've never tried it, now's the time to start with these unique ideas for a clock, plaques, coasters and box decorations.

On trains, planes, in doctors' waiting rooms, in beauty parlors — just about everywhere you go, you see people doing needlepoint. It's the "tote-along" craft, great for home decorations and gifts!

It's time for a novel Ladybug Clock. Or, how about a Toucan, Bee or Frog to use for pictures, coasters or decorations on a box?



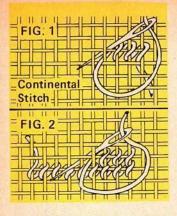




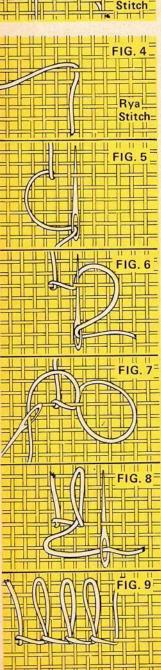
Looping the yarn gives fluffy effects to the petals on Flowers and the tail of a Raccoon — an added dimension to needlepoint!

All the designs shown are from Norden Crafts of Glenview, Illinois. Norden Crafts has original designs, available in kit form, for needlepoint, counted cross stitch and both rya and speedhooked rugs. In addition, Norden Crafts has a large selection of European specialty goods for needlecrafts, such as bell pull hardware. For further information or for the name of a Norden distributor in your area, write to: Norden Crafts, 222 Waukegan Rd., Dept. CT, Glenview, Illinois 60025.









Before you begin...bind the edges of the canvas with masking tape.

Transfer design to canvas. To do this, place the canvas right over the design and, with a permanent felt marker, trace the design right onto the canvas. When working on No. 7 canvas, you may wish to paint in the design on the canvas with acrylic paint. This way, if a spot of the canvas happens to show through, it won't be noticeable.

Note: Fill in small areas that require a few stitches first, then do the rest of the design and background. If the design calls for rya stitches, do them last. At start and finish of length of yarn, when doing continental and half cross stitches, fasten ends on back by running yarn under three stitches.

BASIC STITCHES

Note: If you are left-handed, simply reverse both the stitch and the direction, working from left to right.

No. 12 Canvas

Figs. 1 and 2: Continental Stitch. Thread the needle. Starting at upper right corner of canvas, work the stitches from right to left. Bring needle up from back at point that will be lower left part of first stitch. Make stitches with needle in slanted position. Draw yarn just tight enough to cover the canvas well without pulling it out of shape. Keep stitches even.

Complete first row and on last stitch, bring needle to back. Turn canvas so that you will still be working from right to left. Bring needle up through the second hole from right, below the line to be covered. This hole already has yarn in it. Proceed as before.

When you reach the side you started from, bring needle to back, turn canvas and bring needle up in the second hole from the right, below the line to be covered. This hole does not have yarn in it.

No. 7 Canvas

Fig. 3: Half Cross Stitch. Generally, work stitches on canvas from right to left. However, canvas can be worked from bottom to top, left to right, or held any way that is comfortable as long as stitches are always laid in the same direction.

Yarn should be cut not longer than 24" with about 3" drawn through needle. Bring needle up through canvas at point that will be the bottom of the first stitch. Make stitches with needle in vertical position. Draw yarn just tight enough to cover the canvas well without pulling. Keep stitches even. When the end of the row is reached, turn canvas 180 degrees and continue on next row, again working from right to left.

Figs. 4-9: Rya Stitch (used for petals of Daisy and tail of Raccoon). Start at top left corner of area to be worked in rya and complete one horizontal row at a time.

Thread the needle. Begin by sticking needle down through hole in canvas and up through hole immediately above.

Fig. 4. Pull yarn through, leaving a tail measuring 1" at the lower hole. Pull the upper yarn to the left.

Fig. 5. Next, fold tail over upper yarn, and hold tail in place with thumb. Bring yarn counterclockwise around and under this end and through the second set of holes to the right. Pull yarn firmly across the 1" tail to create the lockstitch that prevents the yarn from being pulled out.

Fig. 6. To make a loop, place needle into the same two holes used for the lockstitch.

Fig. 7. Pull yarn, leaving a 1" loop.

Fig. 8. Fold the loop over upper yarn. Bring yarn counterclockwise around the loop. Inserting your thumb at base, adjust loop to 1". Lock loop with lockstitch.

Fig. 9. When length of yarn is used up, finish with a lockstitch. Cut yarn 1" from canvas. Bring needle with the new yarn through the holes used for lockstitch; pull through leaving 1". To lock, bring yarn around both loose ends and make lockstitch. Loops are cut open as work progresses or are left uncut. Begin next row in the next set of holes. Do not sew into a row that has yarn in it.

BLOCKING

To block the finished piece, place it wrong side up on a board, fasten with aluminum nails 1" apart and about 1" from the filledin area. Stretch to the original shape and dimensions. Place a wet towel on top of canvas, or sprinkle lightly with an atomizer. Do not use too much water. Remove the towel and let the finished piece dry thoroughly (24 hours or more) before removing nails.

MOUNTING

Mount the finished piece on a piece of board the same dimensions as the piece itself. Turn the raw canvas edges over onto the back of the board and staple to secure.

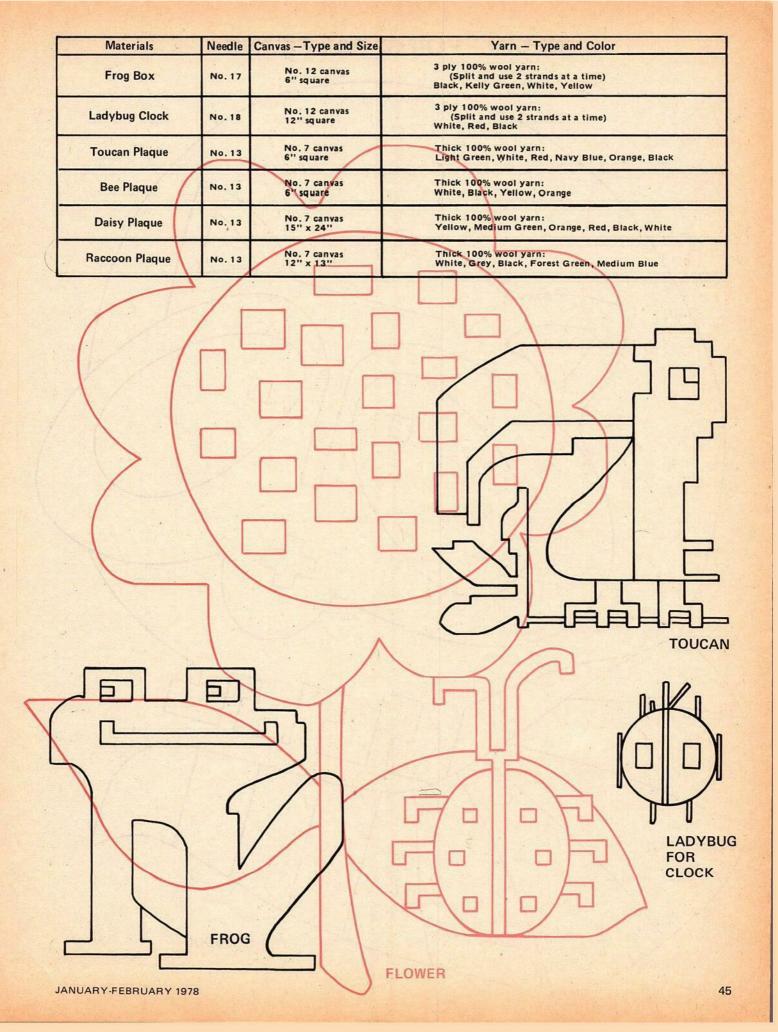
Display your work on a larger board covered with burlap or any other desired fabric. Add a hanger to the back.

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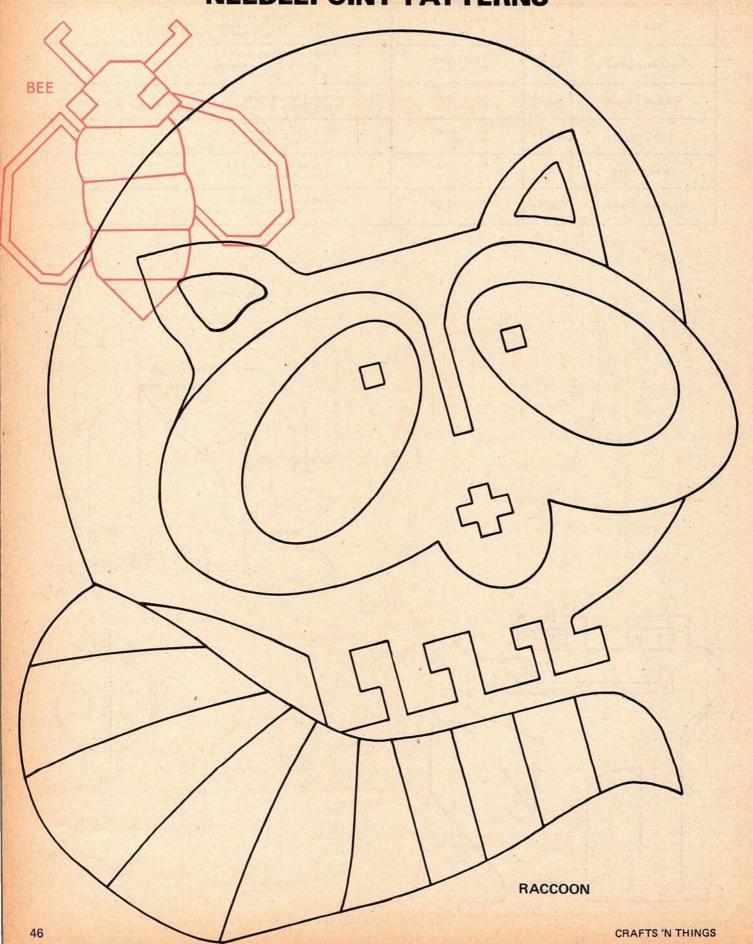
Frog Box. The finished piece is blocked and mounted. Then, it is set inside the recessed lid of a trinket box.

Ladybug Clock. The finished piece is blocked and mounted. Then, clock hands and mechanism are added.

The battery operated clock, \$15.95 ppd., and the wooden lacquered trinket box, \$6.95 ppd., can be purchased from Norden Crafts, Dept. CT, P.O. Box 1, Glenview, IL 60025. Enclose check or money order.



NEEDLEPOINT PATTERNS

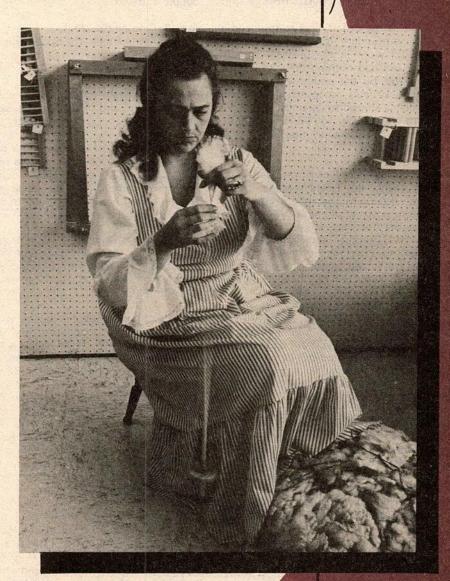


Spinning. with a Drop Spindle

Whether you knit, crochet, or work in any of the other fiber arts, you'll be pleasantly surprised at the difference a handspun yarn can make! And you'll burst with pride when you've turned a bag of raw wool into a finished product that is all your own.

The charm of spinning your own yarn is the special character of the handspun yarn itself and the quality it gives to anything you make with it.

And you don't need a spinning wheel - just a simple drop spindle will do it! Drop spindle spinning is one of the most ancient methods of spinning, and is still used in many countries today.

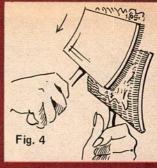


Jean Ann Corbett of Des Plaines, Illinois, is our contributing artist. Jean's interest in spinning started about 6 years ago. She now teaches spinning and is part owner of The Serendipity Shop in Des Plaines.









Materials. (Sources of supplies are listed at the end of the article.) You'll need a drop spindle and a pair of carders — for an initial investment of about \$20.00. And, of course, fiber to spin.

Wool is the easiest fiber to spin, and is recommended for beginners. Raw wool ("wool in the grease") is wool that has had nothing done to it. It is available by the pound from spinning shops, or you can purchase a fleece, which is around ten pounds. Raw wool runs from 90¢ to \$2.75 a pound. Choose a wool with fiber that is at least 2" long.

If you look at a lock of raw wool (one pull, with the fibers running in the same direction) that is unwashed and unprocessed in any way, you will see that the fibers are wavy. This is referred to as "crimp," and causes the wool fibers to interlock as they are spun. The closer and tighter the crimp, the finer the wool will be.

Step 1: Teasing the Wool

On a lock of wool, pull open the matted end (Fig. 1) without pulling the lock apart. When you are finished, the lock of wool should still be intact, but opened up and fluffy. A good bit of dirt will drop out during this process. Tease each lock of wool.

Step 2: Washing the Wool

Your wash water and rinse water <u>must</u> be the same temperature. If you take the wool out of hot wash water and put it in cold rinse water, you could shock the wool and cause it to mat and shrink. Don't agitate the wool too much, as this will also cause matting.

Be careful not to wash out all of the lanolin. You want to leave some in for ease in working with the wool.

Fill the sink or a bucket with "hand hot" water and a liquid dishwashing detergent. If your water is very hard, add a little water softener, too. Then immerse the wool in the water and let it soak at least an hour.

Transfer the wool to the rinse water. Do not let water run directly on the

wool at any time during the process. Lay the wool out to dry, and keep turning it occasionally until it is dry. If the air is very humid this may take a couple of days.

Step 3: Carding the Wool

Carding straightens the wool fibers, opens them up, and combs out more of the dirt and straw.

Before you begin to card, mark your carders "left" and "right" so you will always use them in the same hands.

Now take a lock of wool and tease the fibers so they all run in the same direction. Lay it on left carder (Fig. 2) with the fibers running in the same direction as the handle. Continue to fill the carder all the way across.

Carding is a process of alternately brushing the wool and then transferring it to one carder. This brushing and transferring must be done at least three times.

First Brushing. Hold the carders with the left carder facing you (Fig. 3). Lightly touch the right hand carder across the top of the left hand carder. Then bring the right hand carder down across the left hand carder. Once you have started the downward motion, do not stop or separate the carders until you have finished the movement. At this point, some of the wool will have transferred to the right hand carder. Continue brushing until there seems to be no more transfer of wool. Now you will have wool on both carders.

The next step is to transfer all the wool onto the right hand carder. Hold both carders with handles down and the teeth facing each other (Fig. 4). Put the bottom of the right hand carder above the left hand carder, behind the wool. With the teeth just barely interlocked, pull the right hand carder down across the teeth of the left hand carder, with the right hand slightly angled out. Again, do not stop until the carders are completely separated. This should transfer the wool from the left hand carder to the right. If there is some wool left on the left hand carder

don't worry about it — just leave it on and continue.

Second Brushing. Now return to the original method of holding the carders (with the empty left hand carder still in your left hand) and begin brushing again. The wool will begin to transfer back to the left hand carder. You will probably find there is much less transfer of wool returning it to the left hand carder.

Again, when there is little transfer happening, you are ready to transfer all the wool to the left carder. This is done the same way as explained before, with the carders facing each other, only this time the left hand carder goes above and is pulled down across the right hand carder. (Whichever carder you wish to transfer the wool to is the carder that goes above and is pulled down across the other one.)

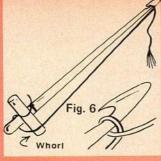
Third Brushing. Now, again return to the original method with the full left carder in your left hand, and begin brushing again. Usually, after this third brushing, your wool is carded enough and you are ready to spin. If it still looks a little tangled, however, continue brushing and transferring (alternating which carder you are transferring to) until you are satisified with the look of the wool.

To get the wool off the carders, transfer it all onto one carder — it doesn't matter which one. Now begin to roll the wool off the carder with your hands (Fig. 5), lifting the wool out of the teeth and rolling it in the direction the teeth are bent from the top to the bottom of the carder. The roll you have taken off the card is called a rolag. The rolag is ready to spin.

Step 4: Spinning

Tie a piece of commercial yarn onto the spindle, at the bottom of the long shaft (Fig. 6). Bring it down over the whorl (disc) and around the short end of the shaft, then back up to the top, hooking it in the groove. Unravel and untwist the end of the yarn, as shown, to make it easier to attach the raw wool to the yarn.







To start spinning on the spindle, draft (draw out) about 1½" of the raw wool from a rolag, and lay it on the unraveled end of the yarn on the spindle. Hold the two together with one hand, and with the other hand give the spindle a clockwise twist to get it started spinning. The raw wool will twist around the commercial yarn, joining the two together.

While the spindle is rotating, your hands are drafting the wool and controlling the spin. With one hand, hold the yarn right at the end of the spun part (Fig. 7). With the other hand, hold the rolag a few inches above the spun yarn, and draft (draw out) the fibers in the rolag to the amount you want. Then let go with the hand that was holding the spun yarn, and let the spin travel upward toward your other hand. Repeat the process by moving up the hand holding the end of the spun yarn and moving the other hand up a few more inches to draw the fibers out. Continue to spin in this manner until you come to the end of the rolag. The size of the yarn will depend on the drafting.

Leave between ½" to 1" of the rolag unspun at the end. To join a new rolag, draw out ½" to 1" and lay it on top of the unspun fibers left on your spun yarn. Continue to spin, joining the two together.

Anytime you are not spinning, do not let the spindle hang free, as it will tend to reverse, causing your yarn to unspin and break. Tuck it under your arm to hold it.

You may find it helpful to have someone keep the spindle turning for you when you first start to learn. It takes some practice to get your hands coordinated to control the yarn and keep the spindle spinning. Try to spin a medium to fine size yarn. Heavier yarns are harder to spin.

When the spindle is down to the floor because of the length of the yarn you have spun, unhook the yarn from the top of the spindle, unwrap it from around the bottom of the whorl, and wind it on the long shaft (Fig. 8). Leave enough spun yarn to wrap around the bottom of the spindle, under the whorl; then bring it back up to the top and hook in the groove again. Proceed with your spinning, stopping to wind yarn as needed.

Step 5: Plying the Yarn

Depending on how you will be using the yarn, you may want to ply it to make it stronger. Wind the yarn off the spindle into a ball. For a two-ply yarn, you will need two balls of yarn. Put each ball into a separate container (coffee can) to keep them from rolling around when you are working with them. Using your drop spindle in a counterclockwise direction, take an end from each ball and simply spin the two strands together.

Step 6: Finishing

When your spindle is full of yarn in the number of plies you want, take the yarn off the spindle, winding it into a skein around your hand and elbow. Tie the skein in about four places so it won't become tangled while you are washing or dyeing it.

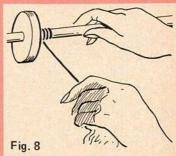
Now the yarn is ready for the final washing. This time you will get the yarn totally clean, removing all traces of lanolin and dirt. Follow the same directions as for washing the raw wool, but you may want to wash it several times and let it soak longer. This final wetting of the wool also holds your spin by locking the fibers together.

If you want to dye your yarn, use ordinary household dye, such as Rit, Cushing or Putnam. Do this after final washing, but before blocking. Have water "hand hot" but do not boil.

Then, block the yarn while it is still wet. To do this, hang the skein over a plastic hanger, and drape a towel through the bottom of the skein (Fig. 9). The towel will weight the yarn.

When the yarn is dry, knit a sweater, crochet an afghan, weave a scarf, macrame a hanger, or use the yarn in any of the fiber arts. And your finished article will be very special indeed!







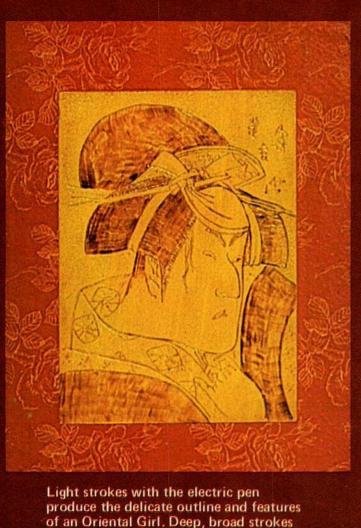
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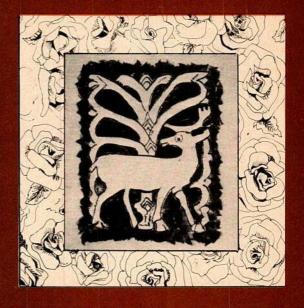
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For additional spinning instruction, the following books are recommended: "Your Hand Spinning" by Elsie Davenport; "Joy of Spinning" by Marilyn Kluger.



Light strokes with the electric pen produce the delicate outline and features of an Oriental Girl. Deep, broad strokes give a bold background to a Deer and Lion, replicas of ancient art. A Thunderbird has some burned sections painted brightly.





Woodburning

Practice is the key to success in woodburning, an ancient craft modernized for all ages to enjoy.

Want to have some fun and learn a real art at the same time? Then, get yourself an electric woodburning pen, a piece of wood (plywood is easiest), and get started!

Before you begin to do an actual design, practice the various strokes and techniques on a piece of scrap wood. It will take a while to get the feel of the pen, to realize what to do and how to get a variety of effects. Be sure to follow all the precautions stated on the package for working with the pen.

The pen actually has three surfaces for producing different effects. Using the tip of the pen will give you sharp, thin lines. The edge of the pen will produce broader, deeper lines. The side of the pen will give you broad, solid areas.

The amount of pressure and speed of motion are other factors determining the effect you get. With less pressure and faster motion, you will get light lines or shading. For harder wood, your motion will have to be slower.

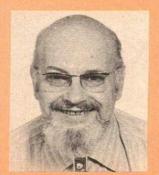
To produce patterns, use a circular motion, move sideways, or make sets of crossed lines. Degree of darkness will vary with the time pen is in contact with wood. Try different motions, keeping motions consistent.

Once you have practiced sufficiently and feel you have mastered the techniques, you are ready to do a design (patterns are on following pages).

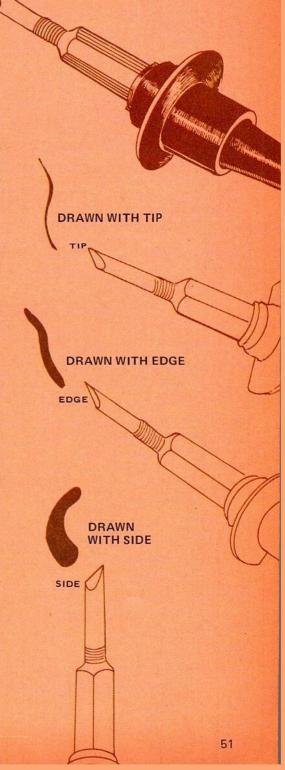
First, use carbon paper to trace the design onto the wood. Then, burn the design, outlining first. Fill in details and background.

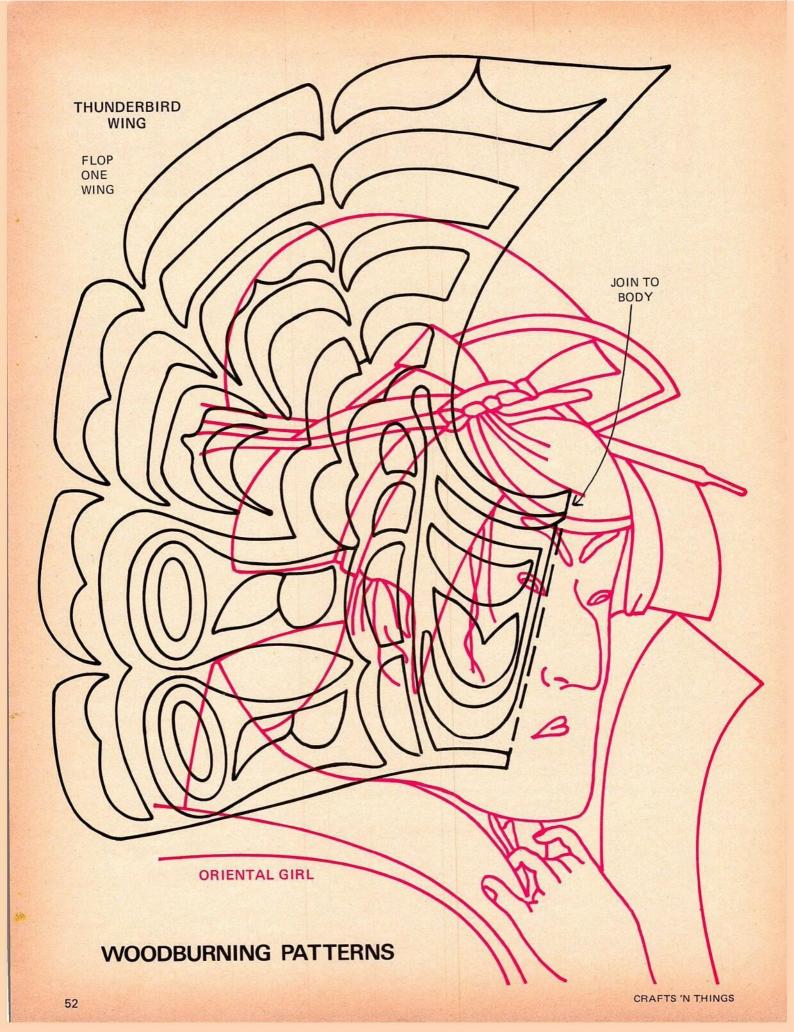
When you have completed the design, prime it with a coat of clear acrylic glaze, diluted with water. Then, if you want, paint the design. Or, give it another coat of undiluted clear glaze.

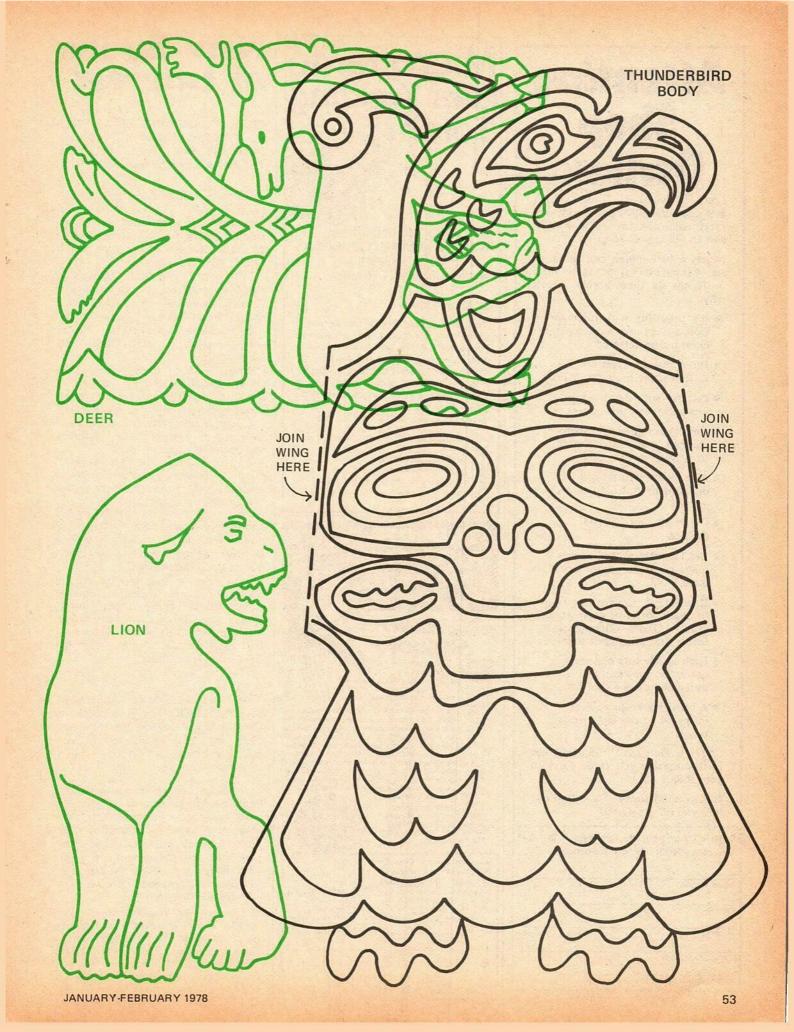
The woodburning pen can be used with overpoints to burn designs onto other surfaces, such as leather and cork. Overpoints reduce the temperature of the pen.



Noah Lichterman, creator of the woodburning projects shown, has been a designer for Rapco™, a division of Martin Yale Industries, for over 30 years. His work at Rapco™ inspired him to incorporate "primitive" art with woodburning. Rapco manufactures woodburning supplies and kits, as well as other hobby and activity sets. Ask for Rapco™ woodburning supplies at your local craft store, or write to: Rapco, Dept. CT, 500 N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago, IL 60624 for the name of a store in your area.







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THE NEEDLEPOINT ALPHABET SAMPLER BOOK by Rita Weiss and Carol Belanger Crafton. Dover Publications, Inc., 180 Varick Street, Dept. CT, New York, NY, 10014. \$2.75, softcover, 48 pages.

If you've done any needlepoint, you know why finished pieces so often become treasured heirlooms. You know how much time and discipline is required for such projects and you've experienced the excitement of seeing your design emerge from the canvas into a colorful, durable texture which invites close inspection.

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"The Needlepoint Alphabet Sampler Book" shows close-up, detailed photographs, diagrams, and directions for 32 distinctive stitches. These include the Tent Stitch, Bargello, Cross Stitch, Florentine, Gobelin, Hungarian, Jacquard, Moorish, Diamond Eyelet, Parisian and Scotch.

Embroidery stitches are usually learned by practice on samplers, and this book features charts for 26 samplers, each one a letter of the alphabet, and full-color photographs of the finished projects. Most of the letters use a variety of stitches for truly interesting effects. All are bordered by the basic Tent Stitch.

We were very impressed by the clarity of instructions in "The Needlepoint Alphabet Sampler Book." The novice will be reassured, not only with simple instructions, but with background information about selecting canvas, needles and thread. You'll even find advice concerning the easiest way to thread your needle!

As you become familiar with new stitches, you'll emerge from a curious beginner to a talented needlepoint artist, capable of working up your own stunning creations.

TIN CAN DOLL FURNITURE and Plans for a Doll House by Jack Reed and Heinz Jung, Hazel Pearson Handicrafts, 4128 Temple City Blvd., Dept. CT, Rosemead, CA 91770. 75¢, softcover, 15 pages.

If you enjoyed the canopy bed baby carriage and dinette set in this issue, you'll really be excited by this little book! "Tin Can Doll Furniture" serves both as an introduction to tin can craft and an inspiration to eager artists who have a few designs of their own in mind.

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Since most of the materials used in "Oldies But Goodies" came from thrift shops, flea markets, antique stores and rummage sales, the costs involved were next to nothing. A long summer dress, for example, was made from some old chintz drapes found at a thrift shop - cost: 30¢!

Ms. Lawson says "Sometimes you can wear your old finds as is. And other times they cry for your own invention. I run my creations through a zigzag sewing machine with the bravado of a trapeze artist."

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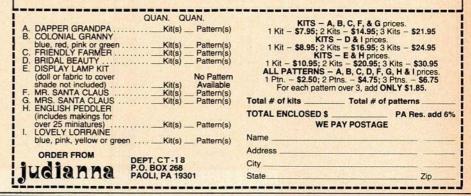


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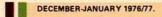


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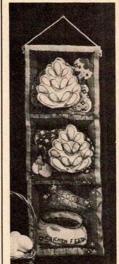
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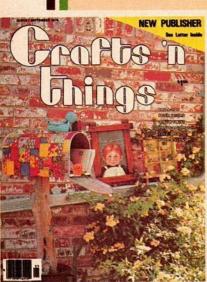


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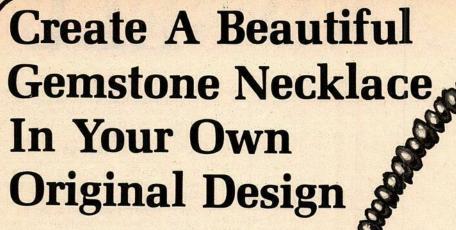
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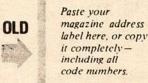
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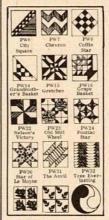
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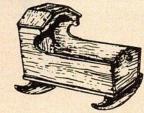
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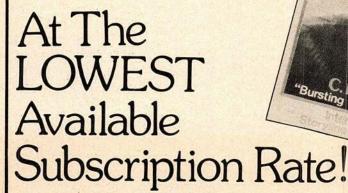
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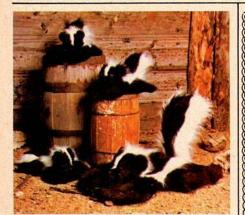
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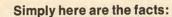
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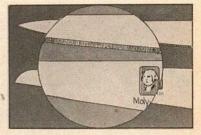
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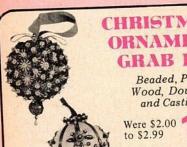
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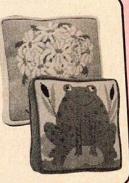


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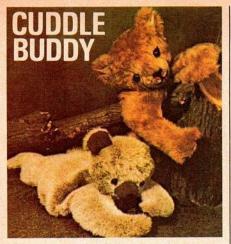
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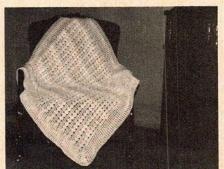
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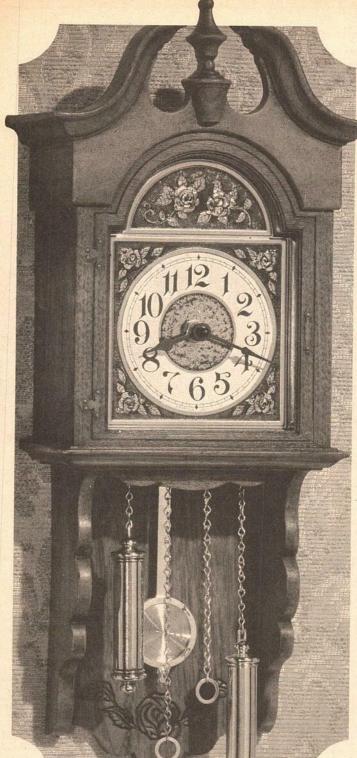
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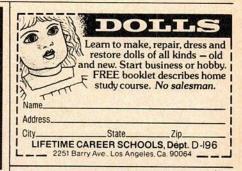
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I need to know where to buy a copper powder made by Leo Uhlfelder Co. of Mt. Vernon, New York. This company does not sell direct and I can't locate a retail dealer who handles the product. The brand name is LUCO. It is used for electroforming or making copper-plated jewelry from leaves, flowers, etc. Some copper-colored powders are made from aluminum and won't work; only the LUCO will do the job. If anyone can assist me, I would greatly appreciate it.

K. L. Banes 3308 Springdale Ft. Worth, TX 76111

I am interested in finding someone who knows where I can find or order colored popcorn and sunflower seeds. In the August/September 1977 issue of Crafts 'n Things, there was an article with a rooster and some butterflies made from them.

Miss Albert J. Benney P.O. Box 324 Talliotton, GA 31827

In answer to your question, colored popcorn is manufactured by National Oats Co., Inc. in Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. We suggest you write to inquire about a supplier in your area.

I am trying to make the Granny Note Holder in the August/September 1977 issue. I could not find the granny head anywhere, so I bought a girl head. But it doesn't say what size crochet hook to use.

Shirley Buyck 14110 Arden Levonia, MI 48154

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Mrs. Betty Sheppard, a widow in the State of Alaska, has been a Fabricon Invisible Reweaver for more than three years. She makes approximately \$350 to \$400 a month, doing this fascinating work.



Mrs. Erdmann, a part time Fabricon Invisible Reweaver for the past 9 years, started making good money within one month after receiving the course. She says, "Just recently we moved from Fond du Lac, Wis., to Arvada, Colorado, and found the demand for Reweavers is even greater here."

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